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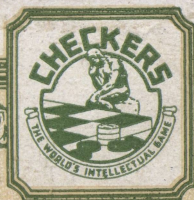
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## Big Seven Now Voting for 8th, 9th and 10th Places On All-American Checker Team of Twelve

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Players Selected Will Then Have Better Chance to Properly Prepare Their Lines  
— Hanson, Reynolds and Lieberman Loom as Favorites

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By J. G. FINLEY, *Secretary A. C. A.*

With the Bradford-Duffy match set for March 20 (Saturday) at Chicago, and the Townsend-O'Grady affair scheduled May 1 at the Boston Club, the preliminary match program is nearly completed. Meanwhile voting blanks have already been sent to the Big Seven, with a request to select the 8th man for the team. Then the 8 men will vote for the 9th, and the nine men vote for the tenth. Then a halt is called, pending the outcome of the matches in the offing. It is pretty well understood that Hanson, Reynolds and Lieberman will be the first choice, for 8th, 9th and 10th places, while the winners of the remaining matches will be juggled for 11th and 12th places, the remaining candidates being weighed up for the three alternates. By selecting the regulars as early as possible, it will give them more peace of mind, and allow them to settle down and make thorough preparations for the match.

Checker clubs throughout the country might well follow the lead of the Brooklyn Club, which is staging a big Masters' tourney for the benefit of the International Match Fund, and the experts who hope to compete in the great classic, could well afford to give a benefit simultaneous exhibition here and there.

With L. M. Lewis retired as a candidate, the field narrows down to Bradford,

Duffy, Townsend, O'Grady, Dossett, and Lieber, with Tanner, H. L. Brown, Willis G. Hill, E. C. Waterhouse, P. H. Ketchum and a few others on the challenging list.

### Reynolds Chosen Eighth Man

Just before going to press, the last vote for 8th place on the team came in from the Big Seven and gave preference to H. B. Reynolds of Buffalo, N. Y., with three votes. Lieberman got two votes and Hanson two. This adds another mighty fine player to our team of 12. Reynolds has been a prize winner in each American tourney, and in the Second Tourney in 1912, he was runner-up to Hugh Henderson, the champion. He has consistently improved as the years went by, and players and fans throughout the country will welcome this addition to the team. The ballot will now be sent out to the eight players who will vote on a ninth man.

The fans who desire to see the International Match a success, and see the American team win, can best aid right now by contributing to the preliminary match fund. Don't delay, brother checkers—don't put it off until tomorrow, for tomorrow never comes—do it TODAY, and let us get started TODAY. Send your check or money order to the A. C. A. secretary, and don't be timid about how large the amount is.



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## LIEBERMAN DEFEATS KETCHUM 5 TO 2 AT KANSAS CITY

Harry Lieberman, of Kansas City, champion of the Missouri valley and a checker star of international repute, emerged victorious in his 30-game match with Preston H. Ketchum of Chicago by the score of 5 to 2 and 21 draws. Lieberman won the Black side of the Bristol opening, 11-16, 23-18, by springing a "cook" against a line that had been previously prepared. Subsequently he won both sides of the "Cross" and the "Denny-Second" openings, introducing new lines of play that stamped him as the master,



and proved to his followers that he is still the invincible Lieberman of old when he held at bay the best players in America.

Ketchum scored with the 10-14, 23-19 White side, and with the White side of the Kelso-Cross. The Chicago expert, winner of a Masters tournament, and champion of Illinois, played slowly and carefully at all times, but Lieberman's great cross-board acumen was not to be denied, and he justified the belief of thousands of American fans anxious to see him play on the All-American team, that he is fully in a class with our best experts.

Mr. Ketchum is to be highly commended for his sportsmanship in making such a long trip from Chicago to Kansas City at such short notice.

Very soon now, the "Big Seven" will vote for the 8th, 9th and 10th places on the team, and no doubt the count will find Lieberman's name high on the list.

The score follows, Lieberman playing Black in the odd-numbered games:

No.	Opening	Result
1.....	10-14, 24-20.....	Drawn
2.....	" " " ".....	"
3.....	12-16, 24-20.....	"
4.....	" " " ".....	"
5.....	11-16, 23-18.....	Lieberman won
6.....	" " " ".....	Drawn
7.....	10-14, 23-19.....	Ketchum won
8.....	" " " ".....	Drawn
9.....	11-16, 21-17.....	"
10.....	" " " ".....	"
11.....	12-16, 24-19.....	"
12.....	" " " ".....	"
13.....	11-15, 23-18.....	Lieberman won
14.....	" " " ".....	"
15.....	10-15, 23-18.....	Ketchum won
16.....	" " " ".....	Drawn
17.....	9-13, 21-17.....	"
18.....	" " " ".....	"
19.....	10-15, 21-17.....	"
20.....	" " " ".....	"
21.....	10-14, 24-19.....	Lieberman won
22.....	" " " ".....	"
23.....	10-15, 22-18.....	Drawn
24.....	" " " ".....	"
25.....	11-15, 24-19.....	"
26.....	" " " ".....	"
27.....	12-16, 22-18.....	"
28.....	" " " ".....	"

M. D. Teetzel refereed in his usual capable manner. The Kansas City fans gave Ketchum \$45 for expenses and Lieberman \$5, while the A. C. A. divided \$70 and \$30 to the winner and loser. Fans in Kansas City are now greatly enthused over the International match, and promise to support the campaign fund liberally.

## LEWIS AND LIEBER TIED WHEN MATCH IS CANCELLED

Score is Two Wins Each and Eight Draws  
— Big Seven Will Now Pass On  
Quality of Games

Never was a checker match between two players staged in a more fitting and elaborate manner than that of the Lewis-Lieber affair at Webster Hall, Detroit, Jan. 4, 5 and 6. Beautifully upholstered easy chairs for the spectators and players; an electric wall board which faithfully reproduced the moves for the benefit of the onlookers—furnished a setting of comfort and luxury to everyone present. The contestants started off by delivering knockout punches right from the start. Lieber sprung a "cook" in the very first game, and scored first blood. The opening was 10-14, 22-17. Mike's advantage was short lived, for in game 2, he put on another prepared line, and Lewis evened the score by beating Mike's "cook" which proved unsound.

Two draws followed from 12-16, 21-17. The second day's play furnished another thrill, Mike winning the Black side of 11-16, 24-19, when Lewis missed the drawing continuation.

Again Lewis came from behind and outplayed the Toledo youth in the next game, winning the Black side of the same opening. Score 2 wins each and 2 draws. Six draws followed from 11-15, 22-17—11-16, 22-18 and 11-16, 23-18, when Lewis received an urgent call from his family necessitating his leaving the match unfinished, and returning immediately to his home at Wheeling, West Va. He expressed regret in not being able to resume the match, and announced that he would retire as a candidate for the International team and devote his time exclusively to his family and farming interests near Wheeling.

In view of Mike's winning of the 1925 Cedar Point Tourney and his technical victory in this match, it will now remain for the Big Seven to determine his qualification as a candidate in the forthcoming International Team Match. The 12 Lewis-Lieber games are being sent to each of the Big Seven who will individually judge on the merits of the games.

Among those in New England who are plugging hard for the International match is A. A. McCullough of the Boston Traveller. This worthy veteran is traveling throughout the northern New England states, and wherever he goes, he stops at the local checker club and tells the boys about the International match. Result: we have received quite a few added donations to the match fund. Let others follow in his footsteps.



# S. Gonotsky Wins Masters Tourney at Boston Meet

*Defeats Morrall in Finals of Wells Club Annual January Classic --- Biggest Turnout in Years Due to Splendid Management of Wells Club Officers*

The annual New Year's meet of the Wells Club at Boston this year proved one of the most successful in the history of New England checkers. Over a hundred persons were playing the game throughout the day, while well over two hundred spectators enjoyed watching the Masters event, won by Sam Gonotsky, tourney champion of America.

"He is some boy, and a mighty fine, modest champion whom every one likes," writes Dr. J. C. Rogers, Boston checker mentor, in referring to Gonotsky.

"I was one of the few persons from New England who saw him at the Alamac Hotel in New York during the Sixth Tourney, and knew what to expect from him," continued the doctor. "He made it obvious that he was no flash-in-the-pan."

Play started at 10 a. m. and continued well into the night. When 11 p. m. came, not less than forty boards were in use. In the first round of the Masters' event Michael Kiley of Quincy had Sam in a difficult position, and the spectators were given a thrill when it looked as if Kiley might win. But Sam drew the game and then won the heat in the next game. After five draws with Weslow in the third round, Weslow developed a new quirk which the experts present had never seen before. Sam sized up the situation carefully, discovered a pitch, threw a man, upset Weslow's carefully laid plans and finally won the game. Weslow played masterly checkers throughout the meet, as did also Waterhouse, who lost on the ballot to Hanson in round two.

In the semi-finals, Herbert Morrall, ex-champion of England, took Jesse B. Hanson into camp, and eliminated the Pacific Coast champion.

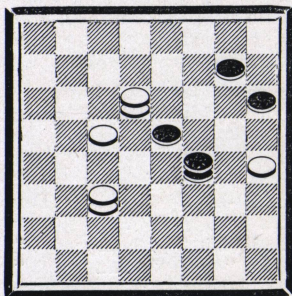
Then came the finals between Morrall, master tactician and veteran of many English and American tourneys, and Gonotsky, the main attraction of the meet. The club rooms were filled to overflowing during this tense struggle, and the New Englanders then and there were acquainted with the reason why the Brooklyn youth is generally considered the equal of any checker general living today. For after two draws had been registered on the 10-14, 22-17 opening, Sam rose to heights of brilliancy and won a beautifully played game with the Black side of White Dyke from the 11-15, 22-17 opening. Morrall sought to equalize with the Black side, but got into

a strained position, from which Gonotsky scored again. Hanson and Weslow divided third and fourth prizes without further play.

During the progress of the meet, Gonotsky gave a fine exhibition of simultaneous play, engaging 36 boards, winning 25 games, drawing 10 and losing one.

The following is the ending of the second game, where Gonotsky, playing the White side of 10-14, 22-17 against Morrall, was thought to have had a win, but which Morrall drew in brilliant style:

Black (Morrall) 8, 12, 15, King 19.



White (Gonotsky) 14, 20, Kings 10, 22.

White to play. Gonotsky went 20-16 and a draw resulted after a long ending.

The special Class "B" tourney held concurrently with the major tourney was won by Wm. Brady.

That the meet was the outstanding event in New England checkers in many a year was conceded by all who participated and witnessed the play. Splendid executive work and management contributed by Pres. Carroll of Wells, Dr. Rogers and Saul Weslow largely accounted for the success of the tourney. The score by rounds of the Masters' tourney:

Round One			
Wins	Draws		Wins
1 Gonotsky .....	3 .....	Kiley	0
1 Hanson .....	1 .....	McCarron	0
1 Waterhouse .....	5 .....	Swenson	0
1 Holden .....	1 .....	Booth	0
1 McClellan .....	1 .....	Durgin	0
1 Morrall .....	1 .....	Hammar	0
1 Weslow .....	1 .....	Gould (Ray)	0
2 Wheeler .....	0 .....	Barker	0
Round Two			
1 Gonotsky .....	1 .....	McClellan	0
*0 Hanson .....	6 .....	Waterhouse	0
1 Morrall .....	1 .....	Holden	0
1 Weslow .....	5 .....	Wheeler	0

\*Won on ballot.



**Semi-Finals**

1	Gonotsky	5	Weslow	0
1	Morrall	1	Hanson	0

**Finals**

2	Gonotsky	2	Morrall	0
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New England checker players will read with pleasure that our old New England champion, W. G. Hill, will issue a challenge to meet any player chosen to play on the big team. Hill played on the former team and had the fourth best score of any American player. He claims that he has not lost a money match in his life. "How do the champions like that?"—Boston Traveller.

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It is with regret that we learn of the death of George W. Cummings, vice-president of the Boston Y. M. C. A. Union Checker Club. He was a fine type of the true American gentleman, and was always a loyal booster of both chess and checkers. Cummings was a cousin of H. B. Reynolds and had planned to entertain that wizard of Dama royally during the coming international match.

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**WELLS TAKE THIRD TEAM MATCH FROM BOSTON**

Wells Club, Boston, trimmed their ancient rivals, the Boston Club, in their third team match of the season, by the decisive score of 8 to 3 and 11 draws on Jan. 9th. Inclement weather kept many players at home. Jesse B. Hanson has become a member of the Wells Club, and played on the team. The scores:

Wins		Draws		Wins
0	Weslow .....	2	.....	Morrall 0
0	Hanson .....	2	.....	Waterhouse 0
			(Capt.)	
1	Durgin (Capt.)..	0	.....	Bickum 1
1	Swenson .....	1	.....	Carr 0
0	Carroll .....	1	.....	Dr. MacDonald 1
0	McCarron .....	2	.....	Peck 0
2	Schwartz .....	0	.....	Carter 0
2	Wheeler .....	0	.....	Sawin 0
1	Spector .....	1	.....	Prescott 0
0	Baker .....	2	.....	Flavin 0
1	M'Donald, E. W.	0	.....	Moore 1
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8		11		3

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**ANOTHER FRIEND LEAVES**

Samuel M. Kehoe, of Swampscott, Mass., one of the few old-timers of the game, gave way to advancing years and last month joined the ranks of those who wend their way westward. In his heyday he ranked with the best in Bay State, and past records of the game in New England prominently associated his name with Barker, Heffner, Freeman, Busby, Wright, Bugbee, Broughton and others. He was a sound cross-board player, and contributed generously to the literature of the game in the earlier days.

**WELLS DEFEATS UNION**

The season for the Boston League Trophy offered by Mr. Collier, President of the League, opened with a bang when Wells met Union and defeated them 6 to 2, and 14 draws. Wells and the Boston Club are scheduled to play a whist match at the Boston Club, January 28, twelve men to a side.

W.	Wells	D.	Union	W.
0	Baker	1	Cunningham	1
0	Duxbury	2	Bessey	0
1	Hanson	1	Taylor	0
0	Spector	2	Murray	0
2	MacDonald	0	Plaistard	0
0	Hubbard	2	Blatchford	0
1	Pinckney	1	Burke	0
0	Watts	2	W. Wilson	0
0	O'Donnell	1	Shanks	1
1	Leonard	1	Travis	0
1	Johnson	1	T. Wilson	0
6		14		2

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Boston defeated All-Massachusetts in the annual team match 38 to 34, and 18 draws, a very close score.

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A. A. McCullough, checker editor Boston Traveller, gave a simultaneous exhibition on Jan. 11 at Nashua, N. H., followed by a talk on the International match. Brother McCullough is one live wire in New England checker circles, as well as a capable publicity man at all the big meets.

**GILL CHAMPION IN VERMONT**

Winning 45 points out of a possible 50, William Gill of White River Junction, Vt., again won the state tourney at the meet held in Montpelier during the holiday week. Gill lost two games to Milo of Montpelier, the latter a strong player who succeeded in scoring against N. W. Banks in an exhibition staged last winter in Barre. W. H. Messer finished second in the race, with a total of 31 points, followed closely by R. F. Walker with 30 points.

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**MELVIN BROWN TOURNEY**

The Boston Club will hold their annual February 22 Melvin Brown Tourney at the famous American House this year. In addition to the Masters Class, there will be Class B and C Tourneys, with valuable prizes. A team match of 100 men a side will be played between Boston and all New England, while simultaneous exhibitions, and other added features will enliven the social end. A big turnout is looked for.

The Seattle, Washington, checker club is now fully launched with A. R. Johnson, H. E. McKenzie and F. O. Payne guiding its destiny for 1926. Thirty-five players are enrolled. A good start.



# Charles H. Hollow Wins Michigan Championship

Defeats O'Melay in Finals of State Tourney Held at Webster Hall, Detroit —  
Thirty-two Players Compete for Title—Next Tourney at Detroit.

The annual state tourney of the Michigan Checker Association held at Webster Hall, Detroit, Jan. 1, 2 and 3, proved a splendid success, and was largely attended by leading players throughout the state. The final round found Fred O'Melay, a sterling player who had won the state title for several successive years, facing the veteran C. H. Hollow, former champion of Cornwall, England, Hollow finally winning out, 2 to 1 and 3 draws.

Hollow won the first and third games, but should have lost the fourth. O'Melay then annexed the fifth game, and made Hollow run the gamut with three single pieces in the center of the board, in order to narrowly draw the sixth game. It was a very exciting finish to a closely contested finals.

In the semi-finals O'Melay defeated de Bearn 1 to 0 and 3 draws, while Hollow took Rees into camp 2 to 0 and 1 draw. In the play-off for prizes 3 and 4, de Bearn won the first two games against Rees and drew the third, getting third prize.

There were thirty-two entries, and after a preliminary round in which the players were divided into four groups, each group playing a round robin, two games per heat, the four highest in points of each group qualified for the majors, while the four lowest in each group went into a minor tourney.

A single knockout was then played in both major and minor class. Results of the major tourney follow:

## Round One

Wins	Draws	Wins
2 Hollow .....	3 .....	Pennell 1
2 O'Melay .....	2 .....	Parker 0
2 de Bearn .....	3 .....	Ericson 1
2 Rees .....	1 .....	Goodman 0
3 Dell .....	0 .....	Hay 1
3 Dailey .....	3 .....	E. Main 2
2 Wright .....	1 .....	Skoog 0
2 Seavey .....	2 .....	Maurer 0

In the above round, Pennell won the first game from Hollow, drew the second and third and looked like a sure winner. Hollow, however, equalized in the 4th game, winning the White side of 11-15, 24-19, and two draws resulted from 10-15, 21-17. A Barred opening was then drawn to break the tie, and 9-14, 23-18 was the ballot. Hollow scored a win with the Black side and drew the weak side, eliminating Pennell, the defending champion.

Ericson gave de Bearn a hard tussle,

and had he clinched a win in hand, would have won the heat.

## Round Two

Wins	Draws	Wins
2 Hollow .....	1 .....	Wright 1
2 O'Melay .....	3 .....	Dailey 1
2 de Bearn .....	3 .....	Dell 1
1 Rees .....	3 .....	Seavey 0

## Round Three

2 Hollow .....	1 .....	Rees 1
1 O'Melay .....	3 .....	de Bearn 0

## Final Round

2 Hollow .....	3 .....	O'Melay 1
2 de Bearn .....	1 .....	Rees 0

Thus Hollow became the new champion, O'Melay second, de Bearn third and Rees fourth.

The winner, Mr. Hollow, is a carpenter and builder, with headquarters at Detroit. He formerly lived in Cornwall, England, where for a period of 15 years he conducted a weekly draughts column and was recognized in his younger days as one of the most promising English players. The runner-up, Mr. O'Melay, is an attorney-at-law of Hillsdale, and has won the state title several years in succession. DeBearn was title holder in 1924, while Rees is a promising youngster, and will be heard from later.

## Minor Tourney Record

### Round One

Wins	Draws	Wins
3 Sheenan .....	0 .....	Ford 0
3 H. Main .....	0 .....	Jachcik 0
3 Crosson .....	0 .....	Bakalow 0
2 Ericson .....	1 .....	Hatch 0
1 Temple .....	5 .....	Smiley 0
2 Thorpe .....	1 .....	Schrope 0
1 Randall .....	3 .....	Henshall 0
3 Cloyd .....	0 .....	Reuben 0

### Round Two

1 Sheenan .....	3 .....	Randall 0
2 H. Main .....	1 .....	Cloyd 1
3 Crosson .....	0 .....	Temple 0
2 Ericson .....	3 .....	Thorpe 1

The four losers played off for prizes 5 and 6, Cloyd and Thorpe being the winners.

### Round Three

2 Sheenan .....	1 .....	Ericson 1
2 H. Main .....	1 .....	Crosson 1

### Finals

2 Sheenan .....	1 .....	H. Main 0
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Giving John Sheenan first prize, H. Main second, and Ericson and Crosson dividing third and fourth.

Webster Hall provided an excellent playing room, where the contestants en-



joyed every comfort. At the business meeting it was voted to hold the next tourney December 30, 1926, at Detroit. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: John Sheenan, Detroit, president; J. G. Finley, Detroit, secretary-treasurer; Floyd Pennell, Grand Rapids, vice-president.

### RUDOLPH WINS PENNSYLVANIA CHAMPIONSHIP

The finals in the Checker Championship Tourney of Pennsylvania, which were begun on New Year's Day at Sunbury, Pa., have just been completed. George A. Rudolph, a noted checkerist of Scranton, Pa., won first prize. His title of Pennsylvania checker champion will not be subject to challenge for two years, unless another championship tourney is held before the end of that time.

The tourney was the largest official affair of its kind ever held in Pennsylvania. A total of twenty-nine entries were registered, sixteen amateurs and thirteen experts.

There were two groups at the beginning—expert and amateur, the latter dividing later on into a minor amateur group. The playing of the amateur groups was completed during the first day. The experts required two days to complete, running to six rounds.

Prizes were as follows:

#### Experts

George A. Rudolph, Scranton, first prize, twenty-five dollars in cash and gold medal.

J. R. Staudt, Pottsville, second prize, fifteen dollars in cash, and silver medal.

Arch Henshall, Scranton, third prize, ten dollars in cash and bronze medal.

#### Major Amateurs

Ralph Potter, Berwick, first prize, ten dollars in cash.

E. W. Zettle, Lockhaven, second prize, five dollars in cash.

Arthur Hartman, Hazleton, third prize, three dollars in cash.

#### Minor Amateurs

J. A. Kauffman, Harrisburg, first prize, three dollars in checker books.

Samuel Lightman, Sunbury, second prize, two dollars in checker books.

J. M. Blamphin, Lockhaven, third prize, checker book.

The tourney was declared especially successful, because of the entertainment provided for amateur players as well as experts. An excellent dinner was served by the Woodmen's Circle of Sunbury.

Special mention is made of E. E. Lewis, of Glan Campbell, Indiana County, Pa., as having been the youngest player, and having come the greatest distance. He is but seventeen years of age, and made an enviable record in the tourney.

The champion, George Rudolph, is well

known throughout Pennsylvania. He has frequently given exhibitions of blindfold and simultaneous playing. He is considered as a possible candidate for the All-American team.

### CALIFORNIA MEET ADJOURNED

An unfortunate collapse in the promotional end of the San Diego tourney for the Pacific Coast championship brought what promised to be a highly colorful event to a disappointing finale. It was generally believed that the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association of San Diego was behind the big show; instead it proved that a shifty promoter with a primary eye on Cash Receipts and a secondary eye on the Gate, sold booths to merchants at good prices and then left the booth renters to their own resources, to find aid and comfort however they might. The show was unwisely and ineffectively planned and the checker players assembled for the tourney found themselves without a tepee. When the tourney had to be abandoned, there remained in the running W. J. Nichols, J. L. Wilson, W. Whitehead and A. S. Morley with both lives left, while Lundy, Fickes and Dougherty were one down. The players expect to resume the tourney somewhere in Los Angeles.

### B. P. LAYNG WINS CENTRAL NEW YORK TOURNEY

The annual New Year's tourney for the championship of Central New York, was held this year at Maccabee Temple, Utica, and B. P. Layng, a former champion, emerged the victor over a strong field of entrants.

In the preliminary play in the first group the scores were: Walter Myers, Utica, 22; B. P. Layng, Utica, 21; D. J. Rafferty, Sherburne, 13; F. J. Edwards, Utica, 12; A. H. Eaton, Utica, 9; John Entwistle, Utica, 5, and P. Fountain, Utica, 3.

In the second group, the scores were: H. E. Smith, Utica, 21; R. C. Lehr, Rome, 14; M. J. Bennis, champion of Syracuse, 13; W. B. Knox, Utica, 11; Arthur Jones, Utica, 10; A. Rodenheiser, Syracuse, 8, and F. D. Brown, Utica, 7.

In the final play, first round, Layng defeated Lehr, Smith defeated H. Myers.

In the second round, Layng defeated Smith. The first prize was awarded B. P. Layng; second, H. E. Smith; third, W. Myers, and fourth, R. E. Lehr.

Regarding Harry Lieberman's playing strength, P. H. Ketchum remarks: "I would recommend him for a place on the team without any further tryouts. If anyone wishes to challenge him to a match to get his place on the team they will get their fingers burned. . . ."



# AMONG THE ANALYSTS AND CRITICS

## CRITICISM

By L. S. Head

Either I am getting into second childhood or else there is an error in problem 737 in Dec. issue, by P. Horner. Position after 3rd move of solution:

Black 3, Kings 2, 17.

White 10, 15, King 18.

At this point P. Horner plays 17-13, with variations of 2-7 and 3-8, all allowing a draw. But he overlooks the force of 17-21, 15-11, 21-25\*, and against any White move Black plays 25-22 and, having the move wins. (Maurice J. Collins also noted the above in a letter following that of Mr. Head.)

## CRITICISM

By L. S. Hart, Jr.

Problem No. 437 in the Checkerist, Dec. issue, is not sound. The position after the third move of solution is:

Black 3, Kings 2, 17.

White 10, 15, King 18.

Black to play. Now, instead of 17-13 and the White draw, play 2-7, 10-6, 7-10, 18-14, 10-1, 14-21, 3-7, 21-17, 7-10, 15-6, 1-10—Black wins.—L. S. Hart, Jr.

## CRITICISM

By T. Quinlan

Re game 41, "Cross" (Beginners' Sec. Dec.), Mundelle vs. Potts, at 25th move we have this position:

Black 1, 2, 3, 7, 11, 15, 22, 23.

White 12, 17, 20, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32.

White to play. Here Mundell played 31-27 and Potts replied 23-26, with a note that 22-26, 27-18, 15-22, 30-23, 22-26 may be stronger. Instead of the initial 23-26 or 22-26, however, I submit the following to win for Black, and improve the play by Mundelle—after 31-27 play:

15-18A	30-14	23-18	25-21	14- 5
27-24B	32-27	14- 9	17-14	1-10
22-26	17-13C	18-14	13- 9	7-14
32-27	27-23	9- 5	1- 6	B. wins
23-32	29-25	14-17	5- 1	

A—Seems Black's best forcing move.

B—Practically forced.

C—14-9 loses by 11-16, then 1-6.

Re comment by J. D. Mulvaney on end game of Leonard Freil and John Howe, Jr. Position: Black 1, 12, King 23. White 21, 30, King 15. White to play. Mr. Mulvaney plays 21-17 to win by forcing an exchange with the man on 1, but try

21-17	23-27	30-25	26-22	5- 9
1- 5*	15-18	31-26	21-17	Drawn
17-13A	27-31	25-21		

A—17-14, 12-16 draws.

## CRITICISM

By Charles Hefter

Re problem 421 by Harry K. Clark in Dec. issue: Black 5, 9, 13, Kings 23, 26. White 18, 22, Kings 1, 17, 25. White to draw. Instead of 17-21 we have a dual by

25-21	17-10	21-14	10-14	1- 6
23-14	26-17	9-18	18-23	Drawn

(This play also noted by W. H. Messer, S. J. Groff and T. Quinlan.)

Now take author's solution: 17-21, 26-17, 21-14, 23-26, and now instead of 1-6, try 25-30, 26-22, 14-17, 22-15, 1-6, 13-22, 6-13—Drawn.

## CRITICISM

By D. C. Calvert

In Oct. issue, page 8, P. M. Powers' criticism of game 223, at "A," he leaves this position as a White win:

Black 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 20.

White 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 27.

But continue: 9-14, 18-9, 10-15, 23-18, 16-19, 18-11, 19-28, 27-23, 28-32, 23-19, 32-27, 19-15, 27-23, 15-10—Drawn. Black crowns two men and holds the two White single men on 17 and 22 indefinitely and draws.

In Dec. issue, page 11, Rex B. Wood overlooks a very simple draw in his var. 2 at 3rd move.

Black 22, Kings 6, 25.

White 14, 29, King 31.

For 31-26, go 31-27, 25-21, 27-23, 21-17, 23-18—Drawn.

In Geo. Fulford's play, page 11, at 7th move—Black 22, Kings 10, 25. White 17, 29, King 23. For 23-19, go 17-14, 10-17, 23-26—Drawn—D. C. Calvert.

## CRITICISM

By W. H. Jones  
(South Wales)

Re game 40, "Cross" by Mr. Banks in Nov. issue, at diagrammed position page 15, under note C: Black 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 26. White 13, 15, 20, 21, 22, 25, 28, 31. He gives the terms Black to play and win, and plays 26-30 for a King. Then continues 20-16, 19-23. Now he plays 22-18 allowing Black to win. Instead White can pitch 15-11\*, 8-15, 16-12, etc. with very good drawing chances.

Re solution to problem 417 by Fausto Dalumi, page 22, Nov. issue, try this correction to var. 2: 11-16, 23-30, 19-23\* (Dalumi gives 16-20), 9-14, 16-20, 14-18, 23-27, 30-26A, 27-31—Drawn.

A—Instead of this, play 18-23, 27-32, 23-19, 32-27, 30-25, etc.—White wins by First Position.—Fausto Dalumi.



Re solution to problem 395 by Fausto Dalumi, at 3rd move of note B, position is Black 20, 27, King 29. White 26, Kings 19, 30. Black to play. Dalumi went 27-32, giving White a win. Instead try

27-31	17-13	31-27	6-10	27-31
26-22	31-27	6-1	27-31	18-23
31-27	13-9	27-31	10-14	31-26
22-17	27-31	1-6	31-27	23-27
27-31	9-6	31-27	14-18	B26-22

—now a perpetual draw—W. H. Jones, 20-12-'25.

B—Fausto Dalumi, to whom this play was sent, continues here with: 19-15, 22-17, 15-10, 17-21, 10-14, 29-25, 14-18—White wins.—Fausto Dalumi.

#### Game No. 42 ("Cross" by J. W. Wood) Creates Unusual Comment

Considerable comment was received on game No. 42 by J. W. Wood in December Checkerist. First, Mr. Wood, the author, writes that Black can draw at 45th move by playing 6-9 instead of 23-18, then 13-6, 23-18, 14-9, 5-14, 17-10, 18-14—Drawn.

An army of lynx-eyed critics, however, pounced upon the weakness of Black's 26-23 move at 44th move. Position: Black 5, 6, 11, 12, King 26. White 13, 14, 17, 25, 32. Black to play. The "army" play 26-22, 25-18, 12-16, 32-27, 16-19—B. wins, quite an upset from the proposed White win!

A. E. Sumner, Abram Howarth, J. J. Early and Oscar Apple noted the same play to draw (6-9 pitch) as given by Mr. Wood. The following critics found the 26-22 pitch at 44th move, giving Black a win: H. S. Waller, H. F. Barnes, T. Quinlan, P. H. Feagan, G. H. Fulford, W. F. Spollett, M. Johnson and W. H. Messer.

Pertinent to the above, Abraham Howarth writes: "In the Sept. Checkerist, game 38, Cross, var. 2, page 14, Mr. Banks arrives at an almost identical position, colors reversed, after the 33rd move, and employed similar strategy. His position: Black 12, 13, 16, 19, 20. White 21, 22, 27, 28, King 10. White to play. Banks draws by 27-24, 20-27, 10-15, 19-23, 15-19, 23-26, 19-23, 26-30, 23-32, 30-25, 22-18, 25-22, 18-14, 22-18, 14-10, 16-19—Drawn.

#### CRITICISM

By J. H. Robinson

Re Problem 437, by P. Horner, in the December Checkerist:

Black 3, Kings 2, 22.

White 10, 15, King 19.

The terms of this problem should be: White to play, Black to win: 19-23, 22-17, 23-18, 2-7, 10-6, and Mr. Horner leaves it as a draw, but continue: 7-10, 18-14, 10-1, 14-21, then 3-7 wins.—J. H. R.

#### CRITICISM

By Abram Howarth, Jr.

Re game 35, page 23, var. 15, Heffner's review of Long-Horr games in September issue, after 31st move we have:

Black 10, 11, 12, 15, Kings 25, 31.

White 19, 20, 21, 24, 28, King 2.

White to play. Heffner gives 19-16, allowing Black to draw, whereas 2-7, 10-14, 19-10, 25-22, 7-16, 12-19, 24-15, 22-18, 15-11, 18-15 leaves White a piece up and what appears to be a won game.

#### CRITICISM

By S. J. Groff

Re comment by Geo. H. Fulford on "Riley position" (now quite a famous position), at 8th move of Fulford's play go 17-14, 10-17, 23-26, 22-31, 23-19—drawn.

Re P. M. Powers' comment on game 281, position as given by him: Black 11 (should be on 15), 26 (should be on 22)—now play 15-18, 22-15, 10-19, 31-26, and now instead of 14-18, go 19-24 and Black wins in all variations. Can anyone find a draw for White after the 15-18 trade?

#### CRITICISM

By E. A. McDougal

In Long-Horr game No. 8, March, 1924, Checkerist, note C at H, position is: Black 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14.

White 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 30, 31.

Now instead of 2-6 and 1-5, play 9-13, 18-9, 11-15—B. wins, same as Wyllie-Ferrie in a Dundee Barred game, except man on 30 was on 29.

#### CRITICISM

By James J. Earley

Re game 41, Cross, by Ivan Powers, Dec. issue, at 8th move of note C we have:

Black 1, 3, 7, 10, 15, 18, 22, 23.

White 12, 17, 19, 20, 24, 29, 30, 32.

Now instead of 20-16 which the compiler says may draw, play 12-8, 3-12, 17-14, 10-17, 19-3, 2-6, 3-7, 6-9, 7-10, 9-14, 10-15—W. wins.

#### CRITICISM

By Oscar Apple

Re W. J. Wood's prize problem No. 393, at 11th move of trunk play 26-23 instead of 12-8 and a draw is the result.

#### CHECKERS AT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

An inter-county match was played at the home of Geo. W. Sims, Charlottesville, Va., on December 28, between Albemarle county represented by M. R. Bishop and Mr. Sims, and Greene county, represented by J. F. Early and Dr. E. D. Davis. Forty games, two rounds, 10 games to a round were played. Score: Albemarle 15, Greene 12, drawn 13.



## ENDING AT SUNBURY

Following is an ending won by C. W. Gettle, of Lock Haven, Pa., in the 1926 Pennsylvania state tourney at Sunbury. Mr. Gettle was runner-up in the amateur class:

Black 21, 28, King 18.

White 16, 19, 32, King 10.

White to play and win by 10-7, 18-23, 7-3A, 21-25, 16-11B, 23-7, 3-10, 25-30, 10-15—W. wins.

A—If 16-11, 23-16, 7-3, 16-7, 3-10, the move is changed and Black draws.

B—If White tries to run the two men through, by placing the King on 12, and going 19-15, then Black crowns the man on 25, places him on 26 and draws via the 2 for 1.

## COHEN ACCEPTS O'CONNOR'S CHALLENGE

According to the Glasgow Herald, Sam Cohen, champion of England, has accepted the challenge of G. O'Connor, former Scottish champion, to play a match for \$500 a side, and is willing to start the match Easter Monday, the match to consist of forty games. The prestige of the Scottish players has suffered quite a bit the past year at the hands of their cousins the Britons, and this match between Scotland's second best and the youthful British star will be watched with no little interest.

## EVER A LOYAL FRIEND

"Now that the Holidays are over, I rise to state that the Checkerist is Welcome as flowers in the Spring, tra la, And anthracite in the Winter.

I am therefore sending you my renewal for the magazine."

Thus writes Edwin C. Yates, attorney, of Brooklyn, New York, brother of R. D. Yates, the celebrated youthful master of the game, whose brilliant performances of other years are recorded as part of the permanent treasures of the pastime.

In the same letter, Mr. Yates enclosed his check for \$35.00, \$10.00 to be credited to the Preliminary Match Fund, and \$25.00 to the International Team Match Fund.

"Kindly give my regards to all the boys in your part of the country. May the happiest days of their past be the saddest days of their future," he adds.

John T. Bradford and Jesse B. Hanson will soon be heading for Detroit, where Brad will go into intensive training for his match with Joe Duffy, which takes place at Chicago, March 20th.

Geo. M. Tanner plans to challenge one of the selected members of the team later.

Harry Lieberman is a favorite for 10th man on the International team.

## PROBLEM REVIEW

To determine who is the better checker player the general method of procedure is to have them play a set match, and the one winning the most number of games is considered the better player. It is thus actually and mathematically possible to arrive at a definite conclusion on this point. There is no such competition in the problem realm, for the aim of the true problemist and analyst is to conquer the board, and prove his contentions by deductions of sound worth. To the problemist or analyst, the winning of a game means little; for the win might be clinched by means of unsound play which trapped his opponent into taking the wrong line of action. "The play is the thing" with the problemist—thus it is a hazardous venture to possibly determine who is the best problemist.

Our choice would be A. J. Heffner, whom we consider the greatest problemist and analyst in the world. His tremendous grasp and knowledge of the fine points of the game gives him that advantage which a master obtains over an experimenter.

As to problemists only, 'twould be a venturesome undertaking to state who is best. Each has his style; and each style appeals to a certain following. Of the old masters, Richmond, Purcell, Wardell, Slocum, Drinkwater, Brown, Flower, Heffter, and others—each favored certain styles of problems and each had his select followers. Today we have a capable field of brilliant problem composers. There's A. J. Heffner, C. Heffter, F. Dalumi, L. J. Vair, J. A. Finn, C. A. Woodard, L. S. Hart, Jr., Parson Brown, S. Gonotsky, L. C. Ginsberg, W. J. Wood, Geo. L. King, Roy M. Allin, Maurice E. Hammar, J. H. Robinson, W. E. Davis, Ralph E. Powers, Ivan Powers—and many others who are keeping the grand old game alive by furnishing stimulating problem gems to the various checker publications.

Here's health to them all. This month we offer some dandy strokes by those prolific pyrotechnic artists, Shapiro and Berry, than whom there are no better in their class. And some finished studies by Woodard, Finn and Heffner will keep you busy until next month.

## ADAMS WINS MISSOURI PRIZE

Thirty checkerists held forth at Excelsior Springs, Mo., during the tourney carded for that city. Kenneth Adams of Excelsior Springs copped first prize (\$25.00), while R. L. Boswell ran second. Third place went to R. P. Duncan. The veteran "Dad" Green, ex-president of the American Checker Association was a visitor the last day of the session and declared it a wonderful get-together.

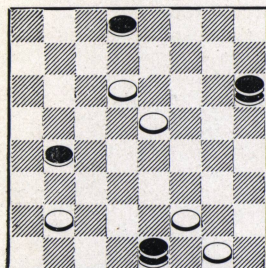


# Problems for the Beginners

## PROBLEM No. 456

By Maurice Shapiro

Black 2, 17, Kings  
12, 31

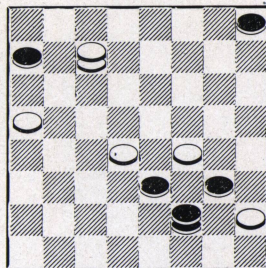


White 10, 15, 25,  
27, 32  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 457

By Maurice Shapiro

Black 4, 5, 23, 24,  
King 27

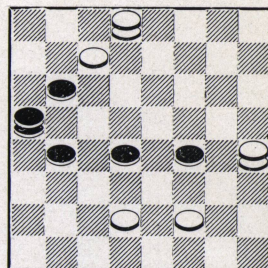


White 13, 18, 19, 28,  
King 6  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 458

By Maurice Shapiro

Black 9, 17, 18, 19,  
King 13

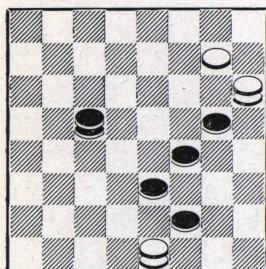


White 6, 26, 27,  
Kings 2, 20  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 459

By Maurice Shapiro

White 25, Kings  
2, 21

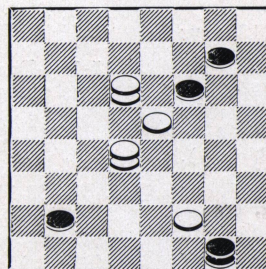


Black 6, 10, 14, 17,  
King 19  
Black to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 460

By Maurice Shapiro

Black 8, 11, 25,  
King 32

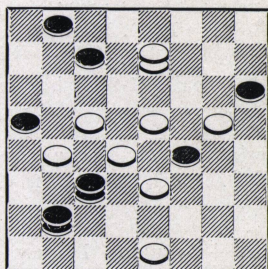


White 15, 27, Kings  
10, 18  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 461

By Maurice Shapiro

Black 1, 6, 12, 13, 19,  
Kings 22, 25

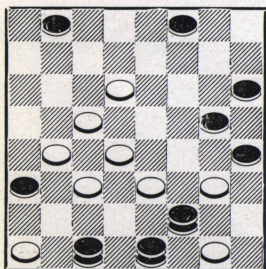


White 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,  
23, 31, King 7  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 462

By James A. Finn

Black 1, 3, 12, 16, 20, 21,  
Kings 27, 30, 31

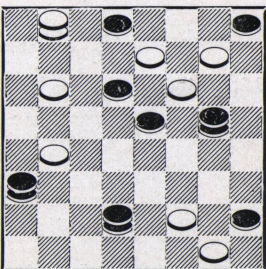


White 10, 14, 17, 18, 22,  
23, 24, 29, 32  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 463

By Bert Berry

Black 2, 4, 10, 15, 28  
Kings 16, 21, 26

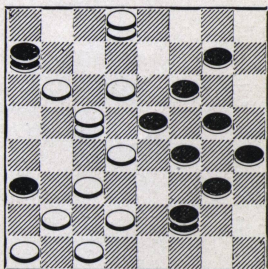


White 7, 8, 9, 11, 17, 27,  
32, King 1  
White to play and win

## PROBLEM No. 464

By Bert Berry

Black 8, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20,  
21, 24, Kings 5, 27



White 9, 10, 18, 22, 25, 26,  
29, 30, Kings 2, 14  
White to play and win



# Beginners' Game Section

## SMITH'S CORRECTIONS OF THE "BRITISH DRAUGHTS PLAYER"

By F. F. Smith, Birmingham, England

### PART ONE — "DYKE"

[In compiling these corrections the author has grouped or subdivided each part into complete exercises or games, to make them easier for publication. For reference we are numbering each exercise as a game.]

#### Game No. 336, "Dyke"

11-15	25-22	19-26	32-28	23-19
22-17	9-14	30-23	16-19	8-11
15-19	22-18	16-20	23-16	15-18
23-16	5- 9	31-27	14-32	22-15
12-19	29-25	11-16	16-11	10-19
24-15	4- 8	28-24	10-15	11-16
10-19	25-22B	2- 7	11- 8	10-15
17-13A	7-10	24-19	32-27	16-19
8-11	22-17	7-11	8- 4	15-24
27-23	8-11	19-12	27-23	28-19
11-16	26-22	11-16	4- 8	9-14

—Black wins—J. Lees in "Aberdeen Free Press," May 25, 1889.

A—The B. D. P., note B, page 113, says it is safe to play 17-13, but it is not strong.

B—Weak; 31-27 is better—J. Lees.

C—Corrects game 16, page 164, Gould's Match Games, where 16-19 is played to a Black win, but it only draws (see Var. 1).

D—23-19E, 14-23, 27-18, 16-23—B. wins.

E—27-24, 20-27, 32-28, 27-31, etc.—B. wins.—Draughts Players Quarterly Review, Vol. 2, No. 3, page 92, var. 90.

#### Var. 1 (off C)

16-19	2- 7	10-26	26-22-2	22-18
23-16	16-12	19-15	18-15	12- 8
14-23	7-11	26-30	3- 7	G18-14
27-18	23-19	15- 8	8- 3	11- 7
20-27	1- 5F	30-26-3	7-10	14-21
32-23	17-14	21-17	15-11	7- 2

—etc.—Drawn.—A. McLaren, Aberdeen Free Press, May 4, 1889.

F—In Gould's Match Games, page 164, game 16, this is left as a Black win.

G—18-23, 8-4, 23-19\*, 4-8, 19-16, now same as Var. 2 at 9th move.

#### Var. 2 (off 1)

26-23	12- 8	18-22	4- 8	18- 9
18-15	*19-16	3- 7	19-23	7- 2
3- 7	3- 7	22-25	8-11	21-17
8- 3	16-19	11- 8	23-18	8-11
7-10	7-14	25-29	11- 8	17-14
15-11	9-18	8- 4	25-21	11-15
23-19	* 8- 3	29-25	17-14	14-10

—Drawn—A. McLaren, Aberdeen Free Press, May 4, 1889.

#### Var. 3 (off 1)

30-25	18-15	22-18	15- 6	H18- 2
8- 4	9-14	8-11	14-17	Etc.
25-22	4- 8	6-10	21-14	Drawn

—A. McLaren, May 4, 1889.

H—Black cannot force a win though it looks like "2nd position."

#### \* \* \* Game No. 337, "Dyke"

11-15	18-14	12-16	22-13	5- 9
22-17	13-22	8- 4	6- 9	6- 1
15-19	25-18	16-20	13- 6	9-13
24-15	11-16-2	26-23	2-27	25-22
10-19	29-25	19-26	28-24-1	18-25
23-16	6- 9	31-22	27-31	1- 6
12-19	27-24	7-11	24-19	25-22
25-22	1- 6	32-27	31-27	11- 7
8-11	24-15	9-13†	19-15	3-10
30-25	8-12	27-23A	27-23	6-15
4- 8	15-11	11-15	15-10G	20-24
22-18	16-19	18-11	23-18	Etc.
9-13	11- 8	13-17	10- 6	Drawn

—I. P. Teel in "The Day," Aug. 14, 1907.

(+)—Draws and corrects B. D. P., page 114, solution to diagram at 3, where 11-16 is given to draw, but loses as shown in game 2978, "The Day."

A—14-10B, 6-15, 27-23, 13-17, 21-14, 15-19—Drawn.

B—22-18C, etc.—B. wins.

C—28-24, 11-16, 4-8E, 3-12, 14-10, 6-15, 18-11, 5-9, 11-8D, 9-14, 8-3, 14-18, 22-15, 16-19, etc.—Drawn.

D—22-18, 2-6, 25-22, 6-10, 21-17, 9-14, 18-9, 10-15, 11-7, 16-19, etc.—Drawn.

E—14-10, 6-15, 18-11, 3-8, 11-7, 2-11, 22-18F, 11-15, 18-11, 8-15, 4-8, 16-19, 8-11, 19-28, 11-18, 28-32, etc.—Drawn.

F—21-17, 16-19, 24-15, 11-18, 4-11, 5-9, 22-15, 13-29, etc.—Drawn.

G—2-17, 23-18, 17-13, 3-8, 25-21, 18-23, 21-17, 23-19, 11-7, 19-3, 4-11, etc.—Drawn.

#### Var. 1

21-17	11- 7	7- 2	15-18	23-32
27-31	5- 9	14- 7	22-26	31-26
17-14	25-22H	2-11	18-23	32-27
31-26	9-13	13-17	26-31	3- 7
14-10	22-18	11-15K	28-24	Etc.
26-23	23-14	17-22	20-27	Drawn

H—7-2, 3-8, 4-11, 20-24, etc.—Drawn.

K—11-16, 17-22, 16-12, 3-7, etc.—Drawn.

#### Var. 2

8-12	29-25	16-20	25-22L	7-11
27-23	6- 9	23-16	20-24	M22-17
11-16	31-27	12-19	27-20	Drawn

—Frank Dunne.

L—The B. D. P., page 115, var. 6 at diagram says "25-22 has the appearance of a draw, but by sacrificing the piece on 20 a neat win is secured."



M—Draws and corrects B. D. P., page 115, var. 6, at 5 where 20-16 is played, allowing a B. win.

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### Game No. 338, "Dyke"

11-15	3- 8	7-11	1- 5	32-27
22-17	27-24	12- 8	19-24	7- 2
15-19	5- 9	11-16	2- 7A	27-31
24-15	24-20	8- 3	23-19	19-15
10-19	6-10	16-20	7-11	18-23
23-16	20-16	3- 8	29-25	15-19
12-19	8-12	24-27	5- 9	23-27
26-22	32-27	31-24	19-15	19-23
8-11-1	19-24	20-27	11-18	27-32
17-14	27-20	8-11	22-15	2- 6
9-18	12-19	27-32	14-18	32-28
22- 8	20-16	26-23	24-19	6-10
4-11	19-24	9-13	9-14	28-32
25-22	28-19	11-16	15-11	10-15
11-15	15-24	10-14	13-17	32-28
30-26	16-12	16-19	11- 7	15-19

— and 28-32, etc. — Drawn. — "Scottish Draughts Quarterly," page 116 — Peter Thirkell.

A—Draws and corrects B. D. P., page 117, var. 2 at 42, where 2-6 is given, allowing a White win as shown in appendix to B. D. P.

### Var. 1

7-10	25-22	5-14	22-17	26-17
27-24	8-12	29-25	24-27	21-14
8-12	27-23	1- 5	17-10	31-26
24-15	16-20	27-23	27-31	14-10
10-19	23-16	11-16	26-22	26-22
30-26	12-19	22-18	19-26	18-15
4- 8	31-27	6- 9	10- 7	22-18
32-27	7-11	13- 6	26-30	7-11
3- 7	17-13	2- 9	7- 3	
22-18	9-14	25-22	B30-26-2	Etc.
12-16	18- 9	20-24	3- 7C	Drawn

—R. Menzies.

B—The B. D. P., page 119, note "C" off "A" from var. 5 at last move, leaves it here as a Black win.—F. Tescheleit.

C—But either the text move, or 3-8 as shown below, will draw: 3-8, 26-17, 21-14, 31-26, 14-10, 26-23, 18-15, 23-18; now 15-11 will draw or alternately 8-12, 18-11, 12-19, 11-15, 10-6, etc.—Drawn.—R. Menzies.

### Var. 2 (off 1)

30-25	10-15	26-30	21-14	31-26
3- 7	19-23	19-16	25-22	*11- 7
16-19	28-24	30-26	14-10	22-17
7-10	23-26	16-11	5- 9	15-10
9-13	24-19	26-17	10- 6	Etc.

—Drawn—E. E. Creswell.

### Game No. 339, "Dyke"

11-15	27-23	8-11	22-15	1-17
22-17	4- 8	17-13A	10-26	25-21
15-19	23-16	5- 9-1	30-23	17-22
24-15	11-20	28-24	6-10	27-24
10-19	29-25	2- 7	13- 6	20-27
23-16	7-10	24-19	14-18	32-23
12-19	31-27	11-15	23-14	22-26
25-22	9-14	19-16	10-17	23-18
8-11	26-23	15-18	21-14	Etc.

—Drawn—J. Lees in "Draughts World."

A—Corrects B. D. P., page 124, exercise 44, trunk at 20th move, where 28-24 is shown to lose in appendix, page 413.

### Var. 1

10-15	2- 7	5- 9	30-27	7-10
22-17	23-19	22-18	32-23	5- 1
6-10	3- 8	15-22	22-25	10-15
25-22	30-26	23-18	17-14	1-10
1- 6	8-12	14-23	10-17	15-22
28-24	26-23	27-18	21- 5	23-18

—Etc.—Drawn.—J. Lees in "Draughts World."

(End of Park One, "Dyke")

## DOWN STATE TOURNEY FOR ILLINOIS

H. H. Lewis of Stonington, Illinois, called at the Checkerist office during the Michigan State Tourney and stayed just long enough to tell us of the big Illinois Down State tourney, scheduled for Friday-Saturday, Feb. 19 and 20, at Champaign, Illinois. "We expect the biggest turn-out since the Down State Association was organized," said Mr. Lewis, "and the affair will unquestionably be a lively one for all. Merchants of Champaign are contributing toward the prize fund, which will be an attractive one." Everyone in Illinois is eligible except the players in Chicago.

## SAN FRANCISCO HAS LIVE CLUB

Mechanic's Institute Chess & Checker Club can be fairly described as one of the liveliest centers of chess and checker activity in the country. After testing the mettle of the players who frequent the Mechanic's Club, one may well assert that a team could be organized from its membership that would force a team from New York or Chicago to a brilliant pace, to give a good account of itself. Incidentally, the editor wishes to express his hearty appreciation for the royal reception accorded him by the Mechanic's Club players of San Francisco.

## CLUB AT ABERDEEN

N. A. Brothers of Aberdeen, South Dakota, announces the organization of a checker club in his town. Checker board equipment has been ordered for the new club.

## CORRESPONDENCE GAMES WANTED

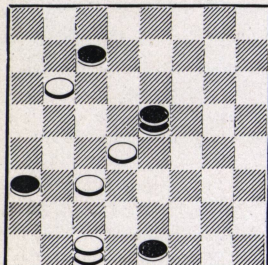
R. E. Ingraham of Oak, Fla., is ready to take on a few opponents via correspondence. Send your opening move to him, care of Arlo Box Company, if interested.



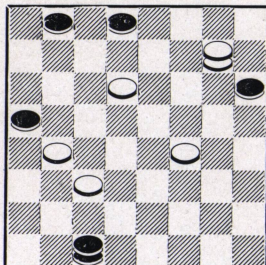
# Problems for the Advanced Players

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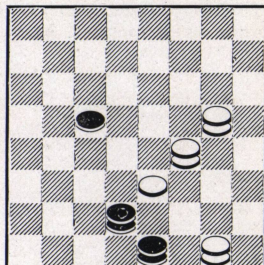
By C. A. Woodard

White 11, 15, 24,  
King 3Black 2, 12, 27,  
King 18  
Black to play and win**PROBLEM No. 466**

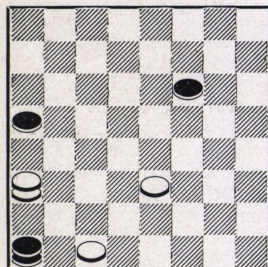
By C. A. Woodard

Black 1, 2, 12, 13,  
King 30White 10, 17, 19, 22,  
King 8  
White to play and draw**PROBLEM No. 467**

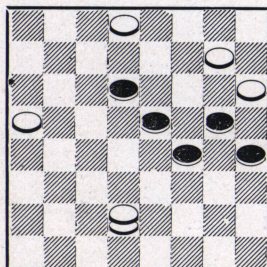
By A. J. Heffner

Black 14, Kings  
26, 31White 23, Kings  
16, 19, 32  
White to play and win**PROBLEM No. 468**

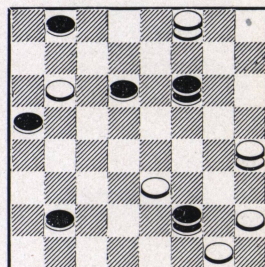
By W. G. Thomas

Black 11, 13,  
King 29White 23, 30,  
King 21  
White to play and win**PROBLEM No. 469**

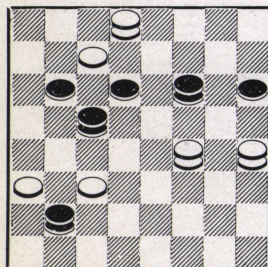
By John Howe, Sr.

White 20, 21, 25, 31,  
King 7Black 13, 14, 17, 18,  
23  
Black to play and win**PROBLEM No. 470**

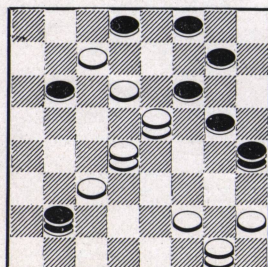
By Bert Berry

Black 1, 10, 13, 25  
Kings 11, 27White 9, 23, 28, 32  
Kings 3, 20  
White to play and win**PROBLEM No. 471**

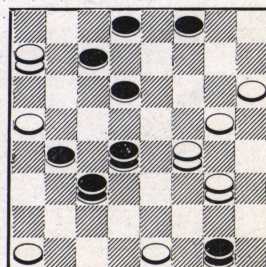
By Bert Berry

Black 9, 10, 12,  
Kings 11, 14, 25White 6, 21, 22,  
Kings 2, 19, 20  
White to play and win**PROBLEM No. 472**

By Bert Berry

Black 2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 16,  
Kings 20, 25White 6, 10, 22, 27, 28,  
Kings 15, 18, 32  
White to play and win**PROBLEM No. 473**

By Bert Berry

Black 2, 3, 6, 10, 17  
Kings 18, 22, 32White 12, 13, 16, 29, 31,  
Kings 5, 19, 24  
White to play and win



# Advanced Players' Game Section

## CEDAR POINT TOURNEY GAMES

Played in the Masters Tourney, Cedar Point, Ohio, August 3 to 10, 1925.

### ROUND THREE

H. O. Newcomb vs. Mike Lieber

Game No. 340, "Dyke"

Black—Newcomb			White—Lieber		
11-15	25-22	8-11	29-25	3-	7
22-17	8-11	32-27	5-	9	23-19
15-19	27-23	9-14	25-22	15-24	
24-15	4- 8	18- 9	7-10	28-19	
10-19	23-16	6-22	30-26	7-11	
23-16	11-20	26-17	9-14	A17-13	
12-19	22-18	11-15	26-23	Drawn	

A—Played along well known lines.

Game No. 341, "Glasgow"

Black—Lieber			White—Newcomb		
11-15	24-20	8-11	31-24	1-10	
22-17	16-19	22-18	20-27	7- 2	
8-11	25-22	10-15	19-15	10-15	
23-19	4- 8	26-22	27-31	2- 7	
11-16	29-25	5- 9	17-14	15-19	
24-20	19-24	22-17	31-27	7-11	
16-23	17-14	9-13	14-10	19-24	
27-11	9-18	20-16	27-23	8- 3	
7-16	22-15	11-20	11- 8	24-27	
20-11	10-19	18-11	2- 6	3- 7	
3- 7	32-28	19-23	10- 7	27-31	
28-24	6-10	28-19	6-10	30-25	
7-16	25-22	23-27	15- 6	Drawn	

Game No. 342, "Edinburgh Second"

Black—Newcomb			White—Lieber		
9-13	29-25	10-19	26-17	7-14	
24-19	8-11	25-22	8-11	24-19	
11-15	24-20	4- 8	31-27	18-23	
28-24	11-15	30-26A	10-15F	19-16	
6- 9	19-16	6-10	17-10	11-15	
22-18	12-19	16-12B	7-14	16-11	
15-22	23-16	19-24C	27-24	*23-27	
25-18	15-18	27-23	2- 7	32-23	
9-14	26-22F	24-28D	23-19	28-32	
18- 9	1- 6	22-17	14-18	Black	
5-14	22-15	13-22	19-10	wins	

—Newcomb won.

A—16-12 is proper here. This 30-26 is now considered very weak, if not a loss.

B—Now in a line given in the "Ency." as a draw by G. M. Bonar: 27-23, 14-17, 21-14, 10-17, 16-12, 19-24, 32-28, 24-27, 31-24, etc.—Drawn.—Banks vs. Henderson.

C—Newcomb varies from Bonar's 8-11 move here.

D—8-11 now would run it into the Bonar line, but the text smells of a "cook."

E—From here on, White's game is gone.

F—26-23, 13-17, 30-26, 1-6, 27-24, 18-27, 32-23, 4-8, 16-12, 10-15, 23-19, 6-10, 19-16, 15-18, 26-22, 17-26, 31-6, 2-9, 24-19, 8-11, 25-22, 9-13, 21-17, 14-21, 22-18, 21-25, 19-15, 25-30, 15-8, 7-10, 16-11, 30-26, 11-7, 26-23, 7-2, 23-14, 8-4, 10-15—Drawn.

Game No. 343, "Edinburgh Second"

Black—Lieber			White—Newcomb		
9-13	4- 8	17-26	12-19	2- 7	
24-19	29-25	31-22	23-16	16-12	
11-15	8-11	6-10	10-15	25-29	
28-24	27-23	25-21	16-12	26-23	
6- 9	9-14	11-15	7-10	29-25	
23-18	18- 9	32-28	12- 8	12- 8	
1- 6	5-14	15-24	10-14	25-30	
18-11	24-20	28-19	8- 3	8- 3	
8-15	14-17	3- 8	14-18	7-11	
22-18	21-14	30-26	3- 7	A 3- 8	
15-22	10-17	8-11	18-25		
25-18	26-22	19-16	7-16	Drawn	

A—A well known line, the game being equal throughout.

H. B. Reynolds vs. Fred O'Melay

Game No. 344, "Bristol"

Black—Reynolds			White—O'Melay		
11-16	25-22	18-23	19-15	27-24	
24-20	2- 6	27-18	12-19	19-16	
16-19	22-17	15-22	20-16	24-19	
23-16	8-12	24-19	14-17	16-11	
12-19	27-24	6-10	31-27	21-25	
22-18	14-18	14- 9	17-21	12- 8	
9-14	17-14	5-14	27-24	19-16	
18- 9	10-17	13- 9	19-23	2- 7	
5-14	21-14	22-25	24-19	25-30	
25-22	1- 5	9- 6	23-27	7-14	
10-15A	32-27	25-30	15-11	16- 7	
22-17	12-16	6- 2	7-10	8- 3	
6-10	26-23	30-25	11- 7	7-11	
29-25	19-26	2- 6	27-31	B14-10	
8-11	30-23	25-22	7- 2		
17-13	16-19	6- 8	31-27		
4- 8	23-16	3-12	16-12	Drawn	

A—A strong line of the Bristol, much in favor.

B—An interesting ending.

Game No. 345, "Bristol"

Black—O'Melay			White—Reynolds		
11-16	25-22	7-11	25-22	14-17	
24-20	8-11	17-13	11-16	21-14	
16-19	22-17	1- 5	20-11	6- 9	
23-16	4- 8	27-23	7-16	13- 6	
12-19	27-24	3- 7	24-20	2-25	
22-18	11-15	23-16	10-14	A26-23	
9-14	32-27	12-19	20-11		
18- 9	8-12	21-17	21-25		
5-14	29-25	14-21	30-21	Drawn	



A—Played along orthodox lines.

### Game No. 346, "Edinburgh Book"

Black—Reynolds			White—O'Melay		
9-13	27-23	15-24	23-16	32-27	
23-19	4- 8	28-19	14-18	26-23	
11-15	24-20D	2- 7	17-13	27-24	
22-18	11-15	26-22	15-19	21-17	
15-22	22-17	7-11	13- 9	14-21	
25-18A	15-24	22-18	10-14	23-14	
10-14B	28-19	1- 5	16-12	8-11	
18- 9	13-22	18- 9	19-24	14-10	
5-14	26-17	5-14	9- 6	11-15	
29-25C	7-11	31-26	24-28	20-16	
8-11	30-26	11-15	6- 2	24-20	
25-22	11-15	19-16	28-32	16-11	
6-10	32-28	12-19	2- 6	E21-25	

—Drawn

A—Running the game into "Will-o'-the-Wisp."

B—7-11 is strong, while 8-11 is inferior to 10-14 or 7-11, but draws.

C—27-23 is preferable here, as played in the following game by Mr. Reynolds.

D—Another safe line is 22-18, 14-17, 21-14, 10-17, 26-22, 17-26, 31-22, 2-6, \*24-20, 7-10, 32-27, 6-9, 30-25, 10-14, 25-21, 3-7, 19-15, 13-17, 22-6, 1-26, 18-9, 26-30, 9-6, 30-26, 21-17, 26-22, 17-13, 7-16—Drawn.—J. Sinclair, 1832.

E—Well played by both.

### Game No. 347, "Edinburgh Book"

Black—O'Melay			White—Reynolds		
9-13	27-23	11-15	26-17	6- 9	
23-19	8-11	30-26B	12-16C	17-13	
11-15	26-22	4- 8	19-12	7-11	
22-18	6-10	25-22	15-18	13- 6	
15-22	22-18	8-11	23-19	11-16	
25-18A	1- 5	32-27	18-22	27-24	
10-14	18- 9	2- 6	19-15	16-23	
18- 9	5-14	22-17	11-18	24-19	
5-14	29-25	13-22	24-19	W. wins	

A—Now into the "Will-o'-the-Wisp" opening.

B—25-22, 14-17 draws. Also 31-26 makes a safe defense.

C—This loses. The proper play is:  
3- 8 31-26D 11-15 17-14 32-27  
17-13 18-22 23-18 10-17 Etc.  
15-18 26-17 14-32 19- 1 Drawn  
—Martins vs. Wyllie, 1864.

D—24-20, 18-22E, 27-24, 22-25, 31-26, 11-15, 26-22, 25-30, \*21-17, 14-21, 22-17—Drawn—W. Reid.

E—11-15, 13-9, 6-13, 20-16, 15-24, 27-20, 18-27, 31-24, 12-19, 24-6, 7-10, 6-2, 10-15, 2-6, 15-19, 6-9, 14-18, 9-14, 19-23, 14-10, 18-22, 10-15, 22-25—Drawn—M. H. Brennan, 1894.

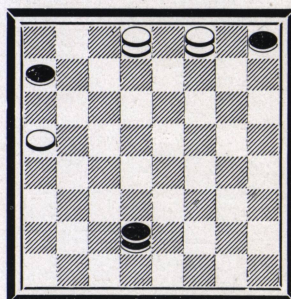
Geo. Rudolph vs. L. T. de Bearn

### Game No. 348, "Denny Choice"

Black—de Bearn			White—Rudolph		
10-14	24-15	19-23	27-24	27-31	
22-17	10-19	27-18	2- 7	11- 7	
7-10	23-16	14-23	26-23	31-26	
17-13	12-19	31-27	7-11	7- 3	
3- 7	26-22	9-14	24-19	26-23	
24-20	4- 8	27- 9	15-24	3- 7	
11-16A	22-17	5-14	23-19	5- 9	
20-11	7-10	30-26	11-15	7-11	
8-15	25-22	11-15	19-16	C23-18	
28-24	8-11	32-27	24-27	Etc.	
15-19	29-25	1- 5	16-11	Drawn	

A—Unusual; 14-18, 23-14, 9-18, gives a more equal game. W. Campbell played 11-15 here against Richard Jordan in the Fourth Scottish Tourney. Jordan cut 20-16, 12-19, 23-16, 8-11, 16-12, 11-16, 28-24, 16-20, 32-28, 15-18, 26-23, 14-17, 21-14, 10-17, 23-14, 9-18, 24-19, and Campbell went 17-21B, and after a long series of moves, worked it into this position:

Black 4, 5, King 26.



White 13, Kings 2, 3.

White (Jordan) to play: 2-7, 26-22, 7-10, 22-17, 10-15, 17-22, 3-7, 4-8, 7-10, 22-17, 15-18, 8-12, 18-14, 17-21, 10-15, 12-16, 13-9, 16-20, 15-19, 21-17, 14-21, 5-14, 21-25—Jordan won.

B—In a game by correspondence between A. Mauchan and J. Ferrie, 6-10 was played here and a draw resulted as follows:

6-10	12- 8	19-26	25-22	11-15
19-15	4-11	31- 8	7-11	32-17
10-19	27-23	17-21	8- 3	15-19

—Drawn

C—Black, being a piece down, can't allow the exchange by 23-19, etc. An interesting game. White might have missed a winning continuation, however.



## Game No. 349, "Denny Choice"

Black—Rudolph		White—de Bearn		
10-14	29-22	5-14	27-20	10-15
22-17	10-14	32-27	4- 8	26-22
7-10	24-19A	11-15	20-16	15-19
17-13	11-16B	24-20	12-19	30-25
3- 7	27-24C	15-24	23-16	11-15
25-22	6-10	20-11	8-11	25-21
14-17	22-18	8-15	16- 7	19-23
21-14	7-11	28-19	2-11	22-17
9-25	8- 9	15-24	13- 9	Drawn

A—24-20 is more often played, while 22-18 is safe. 24-19 is tricky, and Black must know the proper defense to draw.

B—This is weak, 6-10, 22-18, 14-17, 27-24, and 10-14, or 1-6, draws—as in Var. 1, page 42, Lee's Guide.

C—de Bearn misses the strongest continuation here, 28-24, 16-20, 32-28, 14-17, 22-18, 5-9, 18-15, and Black must play with extreme caution to draw: 17-21D, 26-22, 7-10, 31-26 (15-11, 8-15, 23-18, 9-14, 18-11, 14-17, 31-26, 1-5, 11-8, 4-11, 19-16, 12-19, 24-8, 10-15, 27-23, 21-25 draws,) 9-14, 22-18 (22-17, 14-18, 23-7, 2-18, 17-14, 18-23, 27-18, 20-27 draws,) 1-5, 18-9, 5-14, 19-16, 12-19, 23-16, 10-19, 24-15, 8-11, 15-8, 4-11, 16-7, 2-11, 26-22, 14-17, 22-18, 6-10, 18-14, 10-15, 14-10, 15-18, 10-7, 11-16, 28-24, 18-23 draws.

D—Here is a pitfall: if 1-5, 23-18, 7-10, and White wins thus: 18-14\*, 9-18, 15-11, 8-15, 26-22, 17-26, 30-7, 2-11, 19-2—W. wins.

## Game No. 350, "Seccond Double Corner"

The "Second Double Corner" considered by many as weak for White, but a favorite with Clarence Freeman.

Black—Rudolph		White—de Bearn		
11-15	4- 8	9-13	16-20	28-32
24-19	31-27	26-22	2- 7	9-14
15-24	8-12	6-10	24-27	12-16
28-19	27-24	24-19	15-10	14- 9
8-11	16-20A	5- 9	27-31	16-19
12-18	32-27	14- 5	10- 6	9-14
11-16	7-11	7-11	1-10	19-24
18-14	25-22	18-14	7-14	14-18
9-18	6- 9	11-15	26-30	30-25
23-14	29-25	14- 7	5- 1	10- 6
10-17	11-16	15-31	31-26	24-28
21-14	25-21	23-18	1- 6	6- 9
16-23	3- 7B	31-26	20-24	26-23
27-18	30-26C	18-15	6-10	18-27
12-16	2- 6	20-24	24-28	32-23
26-23	22-17	7- 2	14- 9	Etc.

—Rudolph won.

A—Black has a choice here; 6-9 is strong, and 16-19 is a safe attack. The transposing of moves generally makes an entirely different game than that suspected.

B—A trappy line.

C—24-19 is best here, giving White a powerful game.

## Game No. 351, "Second Double Corner"

After winning with the "strong" side, Rudolph turns about and takes his opponent into camp with the "weak" side.

Black—de Bearn		White—Rudolph		
11-15	25-22	9-14	31-26	2- 7
24-19	4- 8	18- 9	11-15D	22-18
15-24	22-17A	5-14	18-11	E 6-10
28-19	8-11	22-18	7-16	26-22
8-11	17-13B	14-17C	29-25	1- 6
22-18	16-20	21-14	17-21	22-17
11-16	26-22	10-17	25-22	3- 8

—and 32-28—Rudolph won.

A—29-25, 16-20, 18-14, etc., gives White a powerful game.

B—17-14, 10-17, 21-14, 6-10, 19-15, 10-19, 32-28 also draws.

C—10-15 is safe here and draws; 1-5 also draws.

D—The shot via 12-16, 19-12, 3-8, 12-3, 17-21, 3-10, 6-31, 32-28, 31-24, 28-19, 20-24, etc., draws here. Black can also get a good game by 6-10, 29-25, 17-22, 26-17, 10-15, 19-10, 7-21, 18-15, 11-18, 23-14, 12-16, 14-9, 16-19, 25-22, 2-7, 22-18, 7-11, 18-14, 3-7, 27-23, 19-26, 30-23, 11-15, 32-28, 21-25, 23-19, 15-24, 28-19, 7-11, 19-16—Drawn. The text as played is weak and probably a loss.

E—7-10 is no better.

## Game No. 352, "Dyke"

The following games were played in a series of twenty-two games between W. E. Davis and H. B. Reynolds at Buffalo last September. The series finished a tie, two wins apiece and eighteen draws, being contested for friendly practice, though the majority of the games were played with a time-keeper. Score and notes by Mr. Davis.

Black—Davis		White—Reynolds		
11-15	27-23	4- 8	22-17	20-24
22-17	6-10A	26-23B	15-22	19-15
15-19	23-16	8-11	26-17	10-26
23-16	11-20	17-13	3- 8C	17- 1
12-19	22-18	1- 6	23-19	26-30
24-15	9-14	25-22	8-12	28-19
10-19	18- 9	11-15	32-27	16-23
25-22	5-14	30-26	11-16	Drawn
8-11	29-25	7-11	27-23	

A—Rather unusual and tends to originality.

B—25-22, 8-11, 22-18, 14-23, 26-19 is the dope.

C—11-15, 31-27, 3-8, 13-9, 6-22, 23-18 also draws.



Game No. 353, "Double Corner Dyke"			Reynolds—Black			Davis—White		
9-14	21-17	8-11	28-24	21-25				
22-17	5-9	15-8	6-9	18-14				
11-15	27-24	4-11	24-19A	10-26				
25-22	2-6	17-10	9-14	29-22				
15-19	22-18	9-18	30-25	26-31				
24-15	15-22	23-14	22-26	23-18				
10-19	24-15	7-10	31-22	31-27				
23-16	9-13	14-7	14-17	19-15				
12-19	32-27	3-10	22-18	Drawn				
17-10	6-9	27-23	17-21					
6-15	26-23	1-6	25-22					

A—Obtains a man, but Black has the best endgame. 23-19 is the book play for the draw.

### STRONG TALENT AT LINCOLN, NEB.

Nebraska is coming forward with quick pace to checker eminence, judging by the amount of activity we hear about. In Lincoln especially the local club has a considerable following, headquarters being in the Lincoln Y. M. C. A. building. The membership is now counted at 57, and all paid. A recent city tourney brought forth Nelson and Fleming in the finals, which are to be played off before the middle of February when the state meet occurs. In an inter-city match between Omaha and Lincoln, the latter team smote the Omaha outfit by a score of 83 to 45. Garl of Lincoln annexed high point honors with a score of 23 out of a possible 32. Votruba of Omaha also showed to advantage in his encounters, white-washing Nelson 8-0. He was high man for his team with a score of 19, winning 6, losing 3, drawing 7. Fleming, too, played his usual steady game.

### COLORADO CHECKER BULLETIN

The Colorado Checker Bulletin has now assumed the proportions of a regular four-page booklet in printed form. The type is set in prominent size and is arranged two columns to a page. It is published monthly by Earl A. Bruhn, 1312 Sixteenth St., Denver, Colo., and well edited by L. J. Vair and an able staff of assistants. Single copies are ten cents, free to State association members. The Bulletin is the official organ of the Colorado Checker Association, and the publisher and editors are to be highly commended for their enterprise.

### MECKS WINS IN SOUTHERN INDIANA

Fifteen foemen took the count before George Meeks of Boonville, Ind., in the southern Indiana tourney, New Year's Day. Meeks captured most of his games, assembling 51 points, while T. E. Miller, runner-up, garnered 49. U. H. Siler followed with 42. The contest was the feature of open house day at the local "Y."

### GUY GARWOOD WINS OHIO STATE TOURNEY

From the strongest field of entries ever participating in an Ohio State Tourney Guy Garwood of Van Wert emerged the final victor over W. E. Davis at the annual Ohio meet staged this year at Cleveland. There were 12 entries, which were divided into two groups of 6 each. Each group then played a round robin, with the following points scored:

Group One—Cameron 15, Johnson 14, Garwood 11, McGory 11, W. Lyne 6, Lawrence 3.

Group Two—W. E. Davis 13, H. O. Newcomb 13, Merton B. Smith 11, Gray 9, Paul McKay 9, John Govan 5.

After first deciding to have the highest three in each group go into the majors, it was decided to allow Garwood and McGory, who were tied, to qualify, thus making seven men for the majors. The majors were then played double-knock-out style, 4 games per heat. Barred openings were used to break ties after 4 games, and after 8 games the 11-men ballot system was used. The results by rounds:

#### Round One

Wins	Draws	Wins
2 Davis .....	1 .....	Smith 0
1 Garwood .....	3 .....	Cameron 0
1 Johnson .....	3 .....	McGory 0
Newcomb—Bye.		

#### Round Two

2 Davis .....	1 .....	Newcomb 1
2 Garwood .....	1 .....	Smith 0
2 Cameron .....	3 .....	Johnson 1
McGory—Bye.		

#### Round Three

1 Johnson .....	3 .....	Davis 0
2 Garwood .....	11 .....	Newcomb 1
2 Cameron .....	2 .....	McGory 0
Smith, McGory and Newcomb were knocked out.		

#### Round Four

1 Davis .....	5 .....	Cameron 0
2 Johnson .....	2 .....	Garwood 0
This knocked out Cameron.		

#### Fifth Round

1 Davis .....	5 .....	Johnson 0
Garwood—Bye.		

Johnson got third prize and Cameron fourth.

#### Finals

3 Garwood .....	3 .....	Davis 1
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Garwood then had to leave for home, but Davis announced that he would not claim the title by default, and was willing to play off the finals with Garwood at the latter's convenience.

Accordingly the play-off resulted in a thrilling 7-game series, Garwood proving too sagacious for Davis, and winning the finals by a score of 3 to 1 and 3 draws. One of the wins by Garwood, as he gen-



erously admits, was due to the desperate chances taken by Davis in an effort to recover his disadvantage with the score 2 to 1 against him, while playing the White side of the 11-16, 23-19 Barred opening.

Garwood and H. O. Newcomb had played previously a long string of 11-men ballot games. This was resorted to when Garwood and Newcomb found themselves unable to break the tie, after having played eight games with a result of six draws and one win each. They then proceeded on the 11-men-ballot plan. Six games were drawn before Garwood succeeded in eliminating the veteran Newcomb.

"In all fairness," writes Mr. Garwood, "I must say that Mr. Newcomb ought to have beaten me in one game which would have ended our bout much sooner. A win was shown by Merton B. Smith."

A ruling was made at this tourney that in future entries would be required to show residence within the state for a period of at least six months before they would be qualified to play. This question arose by reason of the fact that Mr. Davis had been in Cleveland but four months. A further ruling was made that a minimum purse of \$50.00 to a side would have to be assured before the match championship of the state could be determined. Such match must have the endorsement of the officers of the state association and be played under the rules of the association. It was also stipulated that the town where the largest guarantee for the match was offered, would have the first right to the staging of the same.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, H. O. Newcomb; vice-president, Merton B. Smith; secretary-treasurer, Guy Garwood. Akron was awarded the next tourney. Among those present was W. C. Suitt of Cambridge.

### SEATTLE CLUB BUSY

Seattle, Washington, Checker Club, recently organized, now boasts a membership of 50 and is still growing. The club has a comfortable and convenient place to play at the Roslyn Hotel. Visiting players are welcome.

C. Armour Davis, former champion of Detroit, is now located at Los Angeles, and is a member of the Los Angeles Checker Club. He expects to visit Detroit the latter part of the checker season, and meet many of his old friends across the board.

Dealers, book your orders now for 32-page booklet on Hanson-Davis match games, annotated by N. W. Banks. Single copies 50 cents. Orders of one dozen or more at rate of 25 cents per copy. Write to Checkerist.

### WAGERS SUBSCRIPTION

By J. G. Gilmore

Below is my solution to a problem which W. J. Wood wagers a one year's subscription to the Checkerist is a draw, and which I likewise wager a one year's subscription to the Checkerist is a Black win. Here goes:

Black 1, 6, 7, 10, 20, King 31.

White 5, 12, 22, 26, 28, 30.

Black to play.

7-11A	8-11	6-10	25-21	20-24
12- 8	14-17	2- 6	17-22	28-19
11-16	22-13	10-14	21-17	18-14
8- 3	31-22	6- 9	22-26	9-27
16-19	11- 7	22-18	17-14	31- 6
3- 8B	19-23	30-25	26-31	B. wins
10-14	7- 2	14-17	14-10	

Alfred Jordan is the author of this win.

A—Here, Mr. Wood in his prize problem moves 10-14, which the "Ency." says draws.

B—Mr. Wood, may get in a var. by 26-23 or 30-25, but Black can win on either variation.

### CRITICISM

By W. J. Wood

Re problem 427 by M. C. Hammar, in December issue, the author does not make the most of Black's advantage; at 4th move of his solution try 18-25, etc., and White has to play for the draw.

### DROUILLARD COMING EAST

Joe Drouillard, who it will be remembered lost a memorable match to C. F. Barker a few years back, and who is now a resident of California, expects to come east in the spring. He intends to take part in the next Cedar Point tourney, and cross swords with some of the eastern stars of Dama.

### WANTS TO PLAY 11-MAN BALLOT STYLE

"Ready to take on any opponents in correspondence 11-man ballot style," writes E. B. Estes of Alva, Ky. Estes did not register a single loss in his correspondence games during 1925.

### OFF FOR PANAMA

Capt. H. J. Ballentine of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, an ardent checker enthusiast and well known class "A" player, has received orders to sail for Panama from New York City on May 13, where he will spend three years' army duty.

The E. D. A. recently adopted a plan to use the Barred openings to break ties in tourneys, after 4 or 6 games (which constitute a heat) have been played. This probably does not apply to finals heats, which should always be decided on straight checkers.



## CLEVENGER IS IOWA STATE CHAMPION FOR SEVENTH TIME

The 26th annual Iowa State Checker Tournament was held Jan. 19th, 20th and 21st at Waterloo, in the beautiful Suffern Hall overlooking the Cedar River. Fifteen players gathered in contest. From the beginning it was apparent that Clevenger was making a runaway race with the title. He seems to grow better with age. He has contested 11 Tournaments in 15 years, 7 times emerging winner and second 4 times. At one time it was his ambition to go through tourney games without loss, but he seems now to be aiming to deprive his opponents of draws as well. Frank McCracken of Valley Junction was second, and John Morks, of Mason City, former Kansas City and Des Moines club player, third. He was out of practice at the start but came in with a rush at the last. Another good player, W. H. Kinsinger of Grundy Center, showed up for his first tourney, and dropped easily into fourth place. A. L. Cihak, last year's runner-up, suffered a bad slump and landed fifth.

The next tourney will be held at Waterloo January 18, 19 and 20. A. L. Cihak was elected President, W. F. B. Clevenger 1st vice-president, W. H. Kinsinger 2nd vice-president and Frank McCracken secretary and treasurer.

### Standings:

	W.	L.	Dr.	Pts.
W. F. B. Clevenger.....	49	0	7	105
Frank McCracken.....	32	5	19	83
John Morks.....	31	7	18	80
W. H. Kinsinger.....	32	9	15	79
A. L. Cihak.....	28	18	10	66
A. Wilson.....	29	20	7	65
H. E. Jones.....	26	21	9	61
P. R. Moore.....	19	20	17	55
E. L. Goss.....	19	29	8	46
W. S. Ward.....	16	30	10	42
Clarence Wise.....	16	31	9	41
H. M. Smith.....	17	35	4	38
F. R. Smart.....	16	34	6	38
John Glatley.....	7	41	8	22
Fred Evert.....	6	44	6	18

## H. L. RUDOLPH WINS

A twenty-game friendly match has just been concluded between Arch Henshall of Scranton and Herman L. Rudolph, now of Towanda, Pa., the latter emerging the final victor with a score of 5 wins to 2 and 13 draws. Mr. Rudolph has improved wonderfully in the past few years, for Henshall is one of the best in Pennsylvania.

G. S. G. Patterson resigned as secretary of the Los Angeles club and C. D. Smalley has been appointed to take his place.

## A BROTHER'S TRIBUTE

Dr. Skattowe B. Fishburne, of Columbia, S. C., thus expresses his appreciation over the many tributes given his illustrious brother, the late Capt. F. B. Fishburne:

Editors, The Checkerist.

Gentlemen:

In the checker column of the Columbia State I saw the beautiful tribute you paid my brother \* \* \* and I note that in the January issue of your publication you have printed his picture and an article. I should very much appreciate it if you will send me eight copies, so that my mother and six brothers and sisters may each have a copy. \* \* \* It was hard for us to give him up, the best brother a man ever had, but we all bow in humble submission to One who knows best. I have often before his death, remarked to my wife: "Frank has more friends than any man I ever knew." The many beautiful tributes paid him by his friends have been most pleasing to us.

(Signed) Skattlowe B. Fishburne, M.D.

## OPENS INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL OF CHECKERS

Has checkers advanced to the stage where it can be taught by correspondence? H. C. Saltiel, Box 801, Rawlins, Wyoming, believes it has—and to prove it he has inaugurated an International correspondence school at \$1.00 per lesson. His first lesson is a pamphlet of six pages, and deals with "Two-Move Restriction Reduced from its Maximum to its Minimum."

He shows how different positions come up from the same opening, colors reversed, etc.—illustrates new methods in notating and indexing games—gives a practical method of shorthand in figures when taking down games, and gives facts and figures on how to select best lines of play when opening a game.

For beginners and advanced players alike, we believe Mr. Saltiel has some interesting and worth while innovations to become acquainted with.

## CHANGE OF VENUE

Herman L. Rudolph, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and treasurer of the Pennsylvania State Checker Association, expects to locate in Towanda, Pa., beginning February first. He will be glad to have checker players and fans in that locality get in touch with him.

I. P. Davidson, champion of Woonsocket, R. I., is defending his title in a 20-game match with E. A. Wales of that city.



## G. H. IRWIN WINS CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

The annual tournament of the Dominion of Canada, held at Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto, January 19 to 26, resulted in a clean cut victory for G. H. Irwin, who also holds the title of match champion. Mr. Irwin went through the six rounds without the loss of a single game. There were 32 entries, and after the preliminary qualifying round, 16 of these went into a minor tourney, and the qualifying 16 into the majors.

Quite a number of players from distant points took part, Beaton of Rosetown, Saskatchewan, coming the farthest. Lacelle of Sault Ste. Marie drew two hard opponents, and lost his first two rounds in the majors, which was played on a Double-Knockout plan.

Hamilton, Barrie, Trenton, Port Hope, Arthur, Peterboro, Niagara and other Ontario points had representatives, but only Saskatchewan and Quebec of the other provinces.

Mr. Irwin, the winner, played safe at all stages, and waited for the other fellow to take side excursions, when he scored his telling blows.

Gibson was the runner-up, while Andrus and Garvin divided third and fourth money. The winner, Mr. Irwin, is a very modest player, and is a successful business man of Toronto.

The score by rounds follows:

### Round 1

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Andrus	1	Edgar 0
3 Bennett	0	McLellan 1
2 Flindall	2	Morrison 0
2 Garvin	2	Fry 0
3 Gibson	1	Barrett 2
2 Irwin	1	Brown 0
2 Small	1	New 1
2 Wilkinson	1	Lacelle 1

### Round 2

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Andrus	1	Fry 0
2 Barrett	1	Wilkinson 0
3 Brown	0	Morrison 0
4 Flindall	0	McLellan 0
4 Garvin	0	Lacelle 2
2 Irwin	1	Gibson 0
2 New	3	Edgar 1
2 Small	2	Bennett 0

### Round 3

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Bennett	1	Barrett 0
2 Brown	1	Small 0
2 Gibson	2	Wilkinson 0
2 Irwin	2	Andrus 0
2 New	1	Flindall 0
Garvin a Bye.		

### Round 4

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Andrus	1	Flindall 1
2 Brown	3	Bennett 1
2 Garvin	1	Small 1
2 Gibson	1	New 0
Irwin a Bye.		

### Round 5

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Gibson	2	Brown 0
1 Irwin	3	Garvin 0
Andrus a Bye.		

### Round 6

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Gibson	1	Andrus 0
2 Irwin	1	Garvin 0

### Final

W.	Dr.	W.
2 Irwin	1	Gibson 0

### Recapitulation

Round	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Irwin	W	W	W	R	W	W	W
Gibson	W	L	W	W	W	W	L
Andrus	W	W	L	W	R	L	
Garvin	W	W	R	W	L	L	
Brown	L	W	W	W	L		
Bennett	W	L	W	L			
Flindall	W	W	L	L			
New	L	W	W	L			
Small	W	W	L	L			
Wilkinson	W	L	L				
Barrett	L	W	L				

Edgar, Fry, Lacelle, McLellan and Morrison lost in the first two rounds, and so were eliminated.

## RESCUES THE RESCUER

By A. B. Clark, M.D.

Re "To The Rescue" by Mr. Elvin Lee, in January issue, asking for a move for Black after 11-15 by White: If you will try 12-16, 19-12, 10-19, White will soon be scrambling for a draw, with a piece up. There is too much involved to begin to give it all, but anything but 30-26 for White now, I believe would lose: 30-26, 22-25A, 27-23B, 18-27, 31-15, 25-30, 26-23, 30-26, 23-19, 26-23, 15-11, 19-15 or 6-9 draw easily for Black if not a win.

A—19-23 would also draw by 26-19, 6-10, but 26-17, 23-32 would lose for White.

B—26-23 would lose for White.

—Dr. A. B. Clark, Jackson, Mich.

## DRAUGHTS REVIEW FOR JANUARY

That peerless English monthly, THE DRAUGHTS REVIEW, has successfully survived the first volume series, and the editor writes: "We have no great misgivings as to our future, provided the present conditions and rate of progress can be maintained." The January, 1926, number, just at hand, is brim full of good games, including the 1925 Tourney games, annotated by Geo. M. Bonar. Subscriptions \$1.50 per year.



## CAMPBELL RETAINS SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP

**Cohen-Boyle Match and Coming International Match Revive Interest in Bonnie Scotland**

The thirty-second contest for the Scottish Championship, which was held in Glasgow, resulted in J. Campbell, a young Glasgow player, retaining the title he won so gallantly at Aberdeen last year. In the final he met W. Rodgers, another Glasgow expert, whom he defeated by 2 wins to 0, with 3 games drawn. The tournament was a decided success, and indicated that the revival of interest in the game which took place two years ago is spreading steadily in the mother country of draughts.

### Champion's Career

John Campbell, who is 23 years of age, started playing draughts about six years ago, and first came into prominence through St. Rollox Unionist Draughts Club, of which he is a member. His first victory was the winning of the Glasgow Draughts Championship in 1924 from a large entry, beating John Spence in the final. His next triumph was the winning of the Scottish Draughts Championship held at Aberdeen in 1925, defeating H. Christie, of Sunderland, in the finals by 1 win and 5 draws. He also played in the contest between Scotland and England held at Manchester last Easter.

William Rodgers, the runner-up, is 36 years of age, and is a well-known player in Glasgow. He has been a member of Cowlairs Draughts Club for a number of years, and has competed in the Scottish Championship five times. He reached the semi-finals in 1917, being beaten by A. B. Scott, won the Glasgow Draughts Championship in 1921, and was runner-up to J. Burns in 1923.

### Concluding Day's Play

In the final tie a keen tussle was witnessed between Campbell and Rodgers.

At the forenoon session the opening was 11-16, 22-17, Campbell having Black pieces in the first game. The ending showed Black on 1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 15, 20, and White on 17, 21, 22, 27, 28, 30, 31. Black to move. The play proceeded with 7-10, 30-26, 9-14, 26-23, 3-7, 23-19, 15-24, 28-19, 7-11, 17-13, 11-15, 27-24, 20-27, 31-24, 14-18, 22-17, 18-23, 17-14, 10-17, 21-14, 2-6, 19-10, 6-15, 24-20, when a draw was agreed to.

With change of pieces the game formed a position as follows:—Black on 5, 6, 7, 9, 13, King 31, and White on 14, 15, 18, 19, 22, 26, 32, Black (Rodgers) to play. White was subsequently a man up but in a dangerous situation. His play literally was long-sighted, and he scored a fine win. The moves were:—7-11, 15-8, 13-17,

22-13, 31-24, 32-28, 9-18, 28-19, 6-10, 8-3, 18-23, 3-7, 10-14, 7-10, 14-17, 10-14, 17-21, 14-18, 23-27, 18-22, 27-32, 19-15, 22-27, 15-10, 27-23, 10-7, 23-19, 7-2, 19-15, 2-7, 15-19, 7-10, 19-23, 10-14. Black resigned.

In the evening the balloted opening was 9-13, 24-19, Campbell taking the Black pieces. The position formed later on was Black on 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 16, and White on 15, 18, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. Black to play. The moves came thus:—16-19, 30-26, 4-8, 25-22, 7-11, 27-24, 9-14, 18-9, 11-25, 24-15, 5-14, 29-22, 14-17, 21-24, 6-10, 14-7, 2-25. Black won.

The return game of the 9-13, 24-19 opening brought this position:—Black (Rodgers) on 2, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, and White on 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 31. Black to play. The succeeding moves were 6-10, 23-18, 10-16, 22-17, 13-22, 26-17, 15-22, 25-18, 16-19, 17-13, 12-16, 13-6, 2-9, 21-17, 9-13, 17-14, 19-23, 14-10, 16-20, 19-7, 11-16, 7-2, 23-27, 31-24, 20-27, 2-6, 16-19, 6-10, 13-17, 29-25, 27-31, 25-21, 17-22, 18-14, 22-25, 21-17, 25-30, 17-13. Drawn.

In the hope of ending the contest, a third game was begun in the evening. The opening drawn was 10-14, 22-18, Campbell playing Black men. The following position was noted:—Black on 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and White on 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 30, 31, 32. Black to play. The subsequent play went as follows:—1-5, 18-9, 5-14, 24-19, 11-15, 32-28, 15-24, 28-19, 3-7, 30-26, 7-11, 19-16, 12-19, 23-7, 2-11, 31-27, 11-15, 26-23. Drawn.

J. Campbell thus won by scoring 2 wins to nothing with three games drawn, out of the limit of six games.

At the presentation of prizes Mr. McKay, the hon. secretary of the Scottish Draughts Association, was in the chair, and Mr. James Robinson handed over the envelopes. The prize-winners were as follows:—£20 and the Championship of Scotland—J. Campbell (Glasgow), last year's winner. £10—W. Rodgers (Glasgow). Third and fourth prizes of £6 and £4—divided by W. H. Johnstone (Glasgow) and A. Inglis (Burnbank). Four prizes of £1 each—J. Love, sen. (Renfrew), J. Love, jun. (Renfrew), H. Barr (Motherwell), and P. Sweeney (Glasgow).

### Tabulated Results.

Third Round		
W.	Dr.	W.
0 B. Milligan (r.)	1	J. Love, sen. 1
2 H. Barr	3	S. Parker 1
0 A. Smith	1	W. Rodgers 3
1 A. Inglis	11	J. Dunbar 0
1 T. S. Hulley	1	J. Campbell 3
0 J. Gall	5	W. H. Johnstone 1
0 J. Jamie (ret.)	1	J. Love, jun. 1
2 W. Kilgour	1	P. Sweeney 3



**Fourth Round**

W.	Dr.	W.
1 J. Love, sen.....	3 W. H. Johnstone	2
0 J. Love, jun.....	3 J. Campbell	2
0 H. Barr (ret.)..	0 W. Rodgers	3
1 P. Sweeney.....	2 A. Inglis	3

**Semi-Final**

W.	Dr.	W.
1 A. Inglis.....	5 J. Campbell	2
1 W. Rodgers.....	5 W. H. Johnstone	0

**Final**

W.	Dr.	W.
2 J. Campbell.....	3 W. Rodgers	0

(Glasgow Herald)

**SAULSBERRY MAKES IT THREE STRAIGHT**

A. F. Saulsberry took the Oklahoma State Title when he defeated E. H. Gill in the final round of the state tourney, score 3 to 1, 5 draws. It's the third successive Oklahoma conquest for Saulsberry.

**Thunders From Northwest**

Floyd O. Payne has started something in Seattle by causing to be published a challenge to any player in the states of Oregon, Washington or British Columbia with the Northwest title as stake and \$25 to \$100 on the side. He accompanied his challenge with a deposit of \$25 to show he means business.

Editor Banks reports that checkers and chess are on the boom in the northwest. In various cities where he has given exhibitions, the checker and chess clubs have requested a return engagement in June. Seattle, Washington, has already booked him for an entire week. On his June trip he will travel via the northwest route, and exhibit at the leading cities and clubs in Montana enroute. Clubs desiring exhibitions, please write in to Checkerist in order to arrange schedule.

Hazleton, Pennsylvania, checker club reports rapid progress in organization with a growing membership.

Floyd O. Payne, 1511 Boylston Ave., Seattle, Wash., would like to purchase a 10-14 Kear's Ency. He has all the volumes except the Denny opening.

The Arizona State championship is scheduled to come off February 2, the tournament being booked for Tucson.

**THIS MONTH'S PROBLEM****SOLUTIONS HELD OVER**

Due to lack of space, we are holding over the solutions to this month's problems, until the March issue.

**BANKS' WIN REVIEWED**

Following analysis is submitted by a N. S. W. correspondent to draw for Black, and correct N. W. Banks' proposed win in an Egan v. Passey game from the last Australian championship tourney:

12-16	29-25	2-11	2-7	20-27
21-17	8-11	19-16	25-29	23-18
9-14	19-16	11-15	7-14	22-17
25-21	6-9	16-11A	9-18	14-10
16-20	17-13	15-19	17-14	7-23
22-18	1-6	25-22	29-25B	21-14
11-15	23-19	19-24	26-22C	27-31
18-11	11-15	22-17	3-7	30-25
8-15	32-28	14-18	22-15	31-26
24-19	15-24	11-7	25-22	25-21
15-24	28-19	18-22	27-23D	26-22
28-19	7-11	7-2	24-27	14-10
4-8	16-7	22-25	31-24	22-18

—Drawn—M. Byrne, Temora, N. S. W.

A—Played to this stage between Messrs. F. Passey (Black) and H. Egan (White) in the winners' final of the Australian championship tourney 1924, and here Egan played 26-23; the game eventually ending in a draw. In the "Morris-Systems Checkerist" for December the game was reviewed by Newell W. Banks, American match champion. He claims that Egan should have won by 16-11. —See Game 572, The Weekly Times, 2-5-25.

B—Here Mr. Banks plays 6-10, etc., and White wins. I submit 29-25 to draw for Black and correct his play.

C—26-23, 25-22, 23-19, 6-10, 14-7, 3-10, 30-26, 18-23, 26-17, 23-32—Drawn.

D—31-26, 22-31, 27-23, 31-26, 23-19, 26-23, 19-16, 7-10, 14-7, 23-19—Drawn.

—From Melbourne Weekly Times.

H. O. Newcomb, president of the Ohio Checker Association, expects to take part in the Masters' Tourney at St. Petersburg, Florida, which starts February 9th. Alf. Jordan and M. D. Teetzel are making their annual pilgrimage to the Winter Mecca of Checkers. It is expected that the Tourists tourney this year will be the most successful ever held in the land of the Everglades.

**LEE'S COLUMN DISCONTINUED**

With regret we learn that Paul J. Lee's excellent column in the Seattle Union Record was discontinued Jan. 9th, 1926. It was invariably replete with sparkling problem gems, excellently annotated games and up-to-the-minute criticism. No doubt brother Lee will expend his talented efforts in another column.

Sam Gonotsky is now planning to enter the Brooklyn Club Masters' Tourney to be staged for the benefit of the International Team Match Fund.



# CHess CHATs and COMMENT

By MARVIN PALMER

The match of five games up between the Chicago experts, Samuel D. Factor and Lewis J. Isaacs, is now tied at four wins each and one draw. The next win, draws not counting, will decide the match.

Dr. Emanuel Lasker, ex-champion of the world and runner-up in the recent Moscow tournament, arrived in New York from Hamburg on January 18, and is now touring the United States.

Albert S. Pinkus was the winner of the Hallgarten tournament in New York City, concluded recently, with a score of  $9\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ . H. Steiner was a close second, 9-2.

Kalamazoo, Mich., has made a strong bid for this year's Western tournament.

## Game No. 2—French Defence

This curious game was played in the Western tournament at Cedar Point last summer, between Charles Jaffe of New York City and John Winter of Detroit. Neither player seemed to have had a very high regard for the powers of the rook, compared with those of the knight.

### White—Jaffe

1 P - K 4  
2 P - Q 4  
3 Kt - Q B 3  
4 B - K Kt 5  
5 P - K 5  
6 B x B  
7 Q - Q 2  
8 Q Kt - K 2  
9 P - Q B 3  
10 P - K B 4  
11 Kt - B 3  
12 Kt - Kt 3  
13 B P x P  
14 R - B 1  
15 B - K 2  
16 P - Q R 3  
17 B P x P  
18 O - O  
19 Kt - R 5  
20 Q x B  
21 P - Q R 4  
22 P - Q Kt 3  
23 Q - K 3  
24 Kt - B 4  
25 Q x R  
26 R - Kt 1  
27 Q - Kt 4  
28 R x R  
29 R - B 3  
30 R x Kt  
31 Q - Kt 6  
32 K - R 1

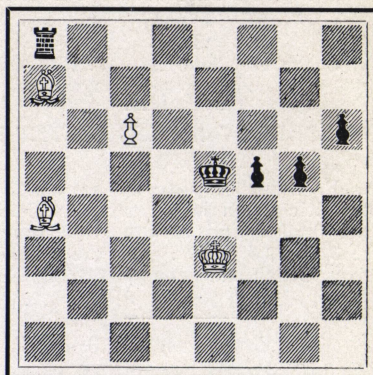
### Black—Winter

1 P - K 3  
2 P - Q 4  
3 Kt - K B 3  
4 B - K 2  
5 K Kt - Q 2  
6 Q x B  
7 P - Q R 3  
8 P - Q B 4  
9 Kt - Q B 3  
10 P - B 3  
11 O - O  
12 P x Q P  
13 Kt - Kt 3  
14 B - Q 2  
15 Q R - B 1  
16 P x P  
17 Kt - R 2  
18 B - Kt 4  
19 B x B  
20 Kt - B 5  
21 Kt - B 3  
22 Kt (B 5) - R 4  
23 P - R 3  
24 R x Kt  
25 Kt x Kt P  
26 R - B 1  
27 R x Kt  
28 Kt (Kt 6) x P  
29 Kt - B 4  
30 P x R  
31 Q - R 2 ch  
32 Kt - Q 5

## CHess PROBLEM No. 6

"On the Road to Hetzerath"

Black (5 pieces)



White (4 pieces) to play.

What result and how?

## SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 5

White wins: 1 P-B4, Kt-B6ch; 2 K-Kt2, Kt-K5; 3 P-K6, Kt-Q3; 4 Kt-B5ch, K-R4; 5 Kt Kt7ch, KtxKt; 6 P-B5 and wins. If 1... P-R5; 2 P-K6, P-R6; 3 P-K7, P-R7; 4 P-K8 (Q), Kt-B6ch; 5 K-Kt2, Kt-Q8ch; 6 K-B1, P-R8 (Q); 7 Kt-B5ch and mate next move.

33 Q - K 8 ch	33 K - R 2
34 R - K B 1	34 Q - B 4
35 Q - Q Kt 8	35 Kt - B 4
36 Q - Kt 1	36 Q - Q 5
37 P - R 5	37 P - R 4
38 Q - K 1	38 P - B 4
39 R x Kt	39 P x R
40 P - K 6	40 Q - Q R 5
41 P - K 7	41 Q - K 1
42 Q - K 6	42 P - Kt 3
43 Q - K B 6	43 K - Kt 1
44 K - Kt 1	44 P - Q 5
45 K - B 2	45 Q - B 2
46 Q - K 5	46 Q - K 1
47 Q x Q B P	47 K - B 2
48 Q - B 4 ch	48 K x P
49 Q x R P	49 Q - Q Kt 1
50 P - Kt 3	50 P - R 5
51 Q - K 2 ch	51 K - B 3
52 P - R 6	52 P x P ch
53 P x P	53 Q - Kt 3
54 Q - R 2	54 P - Q 6 ch
55 K - B 1	55 Q - K 6
56 P - R 7	56 Q - B 8 ch
57 K - B 2	57 Q - B 7 ch
58 Q x Q	58 P x Q
59 P - R 8 (Q)	59 P - B 8 (Q)
60 Q - Q 8 ch	Drawn.



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